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New Purge Beginning In Moscow

(Special To "Sunday Herald")

The expulsion of M. Maxim Litvinov from membership of the Russian Communist Party's Central Committee and the removal of M. Molotov's wife as an alternate member yesterday appeared to have launched a new Soviet purge.

Accompanying this action, that threw a political shadow over the wife of Russia's highest Government official and closed the career of the best-known Soviet statesman, the Communist leaders also severely warned seven commissars to speed up Russian industry or suffer dismissal. — International News Service.

U.S. 'WARNED' TO STAY OUT

STARTLING STATEMENTS by the Japanese Ambassador in Rome, Mr. Horiki, in an interview with the newspaper "Gazzetta del Popolo" of Turin, are quoted by the Stefani News Agency.

The Ambassador stated: "The victory of the Axis is certain and no American intervention can change the final course of the conflict."

England's situation he described as "extremely difficult if not desperate."

Mr. Horiki is further quoted as saying that Japanese foreign policy would continue to be based upon the agreement with Berlin and he warned President Roosevelt that he should reflect many times before allowing himself to become gradually involved in actions which cannot be any longer stopped.

Henceforth, he said, everything depended upon the decisions of one man—Roosevelt.

"It is necessary that America should understand that all acts which may involve her in war against the Axis may automatically unleash conflict with Japan."

Thai Negotiations

Referring to the adjournment of peace negotiations between Thailand and Indo-China, which had given rise to reports of a breakdown, the Ambassador emphasized that certain proposals had to be examined by both sides, but the question at issue ought to be and should be settled.

Negotiations between Japan and the Dutch East Indies for rubber and oil were of a peaceful character and it was thought said the Ambassador, that an agreement could be reached without much difficulty.—Reuter.

BIG AREA MINED

The entire central Mediterranean area has been mined by the Royal Navy and rendered dangerous to shipping.

The Admiralty yesterday announced that the following area in the Mediterranean is dangerous to shipping: "All waters enclosed by the lines joining the following positions:

"From Cape Saint Marie di Fuca, in Italy, towards Benghazi, thence westwards along the African coast to the Tunisian-Tripoli frontier, thence along the limit of French territorial waters to a position three miles to the north of Cape Bon, thence along the west coast of Sardinia to Parallel 41, thence eastward to Paola Fuora Point and finally southward and eastward along the Italian coast to Cape Saint Maria di Leuca."

"Shipping proceeding in these waters will be at their own risk."—Reuter.

Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, called at the Palace in Cairo yesterday and inquired after the health of King Farouk. Mr. Eden later saw the Egyptian Premier.—Reuter.

HEAVIER DAYLIGHT RAIDS

For the first time for several months, German bombers attempted to penetrate the Kent coast defences yesterday morning in strong formation.

British fighters immediately engaged the German squadrons and few of the machines penetrated more than a few miles inland before they were turned back.

Several German machines are reported to have been shot down, but official details have not been received.

The Air Ministry reveals that a German bombing plane was shot down by anti-aircraft fire during Friday night's attack on Swinsea, the third launched on the town in successive nights.

Twenty fighter-bombers crossed the East Coast in the afternoon but did not penetrate far inland, being engaged by Spitfires and A.A. They dropped bombs on a coast town while being driven out to sea. There were no casualties and damage was small.

GRIM FATE OF LOST BATTALION

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent with the South African Forces in East Africa)

A "LOST BATTALION" OF ITALIAN TROOPS IS NOW BELIEVED TO BE MEETING A GHASTLY END FROM PRIVATION AND THIRST IN THE DESERT.

It is the 94th battalion of the Colonial Infantry, which left Armadu, 80 miles from the Kenya border, 11 days ago, the night before British troops occupied the town.

After remaining in the neighbourhood for two days, in the hope that the British troops would leave the town and enable them to return for water, the battalion set out on a 50-mile trek through the waterless desert to Jelbi but so far have not reached their objective.



London Weekenders pull down bomb-weakened walls to prevent their collapsing unexpectedly and adding to toll of Nazi raids. Wrecking crews, the Pioneers, also tie dynamite on buildings damaged beyond repair.

ADD PINCH OF SALT

SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD". SYDNEY RADIO YESTERDAY BROADCAST AN UNCONFIRMED REPORT THAT 60 UNITED STATES SUBMARINES HAVE ARRIVED IN MANILA.

THE ANNOUNCER SAID THAT IT WAS ALSO REPORTED THAT A LARGE PART OF THE UNITED STATES BATTLE FLEET IS STATIONED WITHIN FIVE DAYS STEAMING OF SINGAPORE.—INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

HONOLULU DEFENCE

A REINFORCEMENT OF UNITED STATES DEFENCES IN THE PACIFIC WAS ANNOUNCED IN HONOLULU YESTERDAY.

IT WAS REVEALED THAT A FORCE OF FIGHTER PLANES HAS BEEN LANDED THERE FROM THE AIRCRAFT-CARRIER ENTERPRISE.

Japanese Fleet Menace

The French delegation to the Tokyo conference of mediation in the dispute between Thailand and French Indo-China presented a protest yesterday morning to Mr. Matsuo, the Japanese Foreign Minister, against the presence of a Japanese fleet off the Indo-China Coast.

THE PROTEST EMPHASISED THAT THE DELEGATION COULD NOT CONSENT TO NEGOTIATE UNDER THIS THREAT.

IT REFERS TO REPORTS THAT A JAPANESE SQUADRON HAS BEEN CRUISING IN THE GULF OF SIAM FOR THE PAST FORTNIGHT AND HAS BEEN OBSERVED SEVERAL TIMES RECENTLY OFF THE COAST OF THE Isthmus of Kra AND IS NOW ENGAGED IN PATROLLING ALONG THE LIMITS OF INDO-CHINA'S TERRITORIAL WATERS.—REUTER.

NO TRUTH WHATEVER

A recent foreign news message stated that French Indo-China was about to procure 200 aeroplane from Singapore.

His Britannic Majesty's Minister in Bangkok is authorized to deny this report completely. There is no truth in the report whatever.

So says a press notice by the British Legation in Bangkok yesterday.—Reuter.

HITLER INTENSIFIES WAR OF NERVES IN BALKANS

Action In Bulgaria Looms As Imminent

THE GERMANS ARE INTENSIFYING THEIR WAR OF NERVES IN THE BALKANS, AND YESTERDAY BROUGHT FORTH A FRESH CROP OF RUMOURS WHICH THEY HAVE SOWN IN YUGOSLAVIA, BULGARIA AND GREECE.

The Yugoslavs, says the diplomatic correspondent of "The Times," are told of dark Communist plots in Bulgaria and an imminent German invasion to preserve order.

The Bulgarians, long taught to expect occupation, hear that Yugoslavia may after all let German troops pass through to Greece.

The Greeks—and all the Balkan peoples—are told that Germany is about to sweep through Bulgaria into Greece.

Behind all this smoke screen, adds the correspondent, the German strategy is plain—to pass more and more troops and airmen into Bulgaria and from there to menace the Greeks, to try and make them come to terms with the Italians.

For the moment the Germans are leaving the Yugoslavs alone. Above all the Germans are now trying to "make their way as far as they can" by showing force rather than using it.

Power In West

The bulk of the German forces, continues the correspondent, particularly the air force, is in west Europe and they do not wish to lessen that threat to Britain.

Secondly, behind all the talk of "sweeping over the Bulgarian frontier into Greece" they know the great natural difficulties. If threats failed the Germans would undoubtedly use force but would all sundry and threats the Greeks remain unshaken.

They have proved their own mettle and behind them they have seen British arms going from strength to strength.—Reuter.

Nazi Move

There is no doubt that preparations are in an advanced stage and that possibly a military exercise, pontoon bridges have recently been thrown across the river and lifted again.

THE POSSIBILITY OF AN OPEN MOVE BY GERMANY IN THE NEAR FUTURE CANNOT BE IGNORED.

German preparations for a march into Bulgaria appear to be proceeding along two lines. First, military measures are being taken in Rumania, where Nazi troops are being moved to.

LONDON SCEPTICAL

Well-informed circles in London are sceptical of reports of German troops entering Bulgaria, but there are signs that an open move will take place in the near future, as distinct from the infiltration movement which has been going on for some time.

Among these indications are the drastic curtailment of railway traffic in Bulgaria during the past two days, elaborate bridging preparations in various parts of the Danube and also the requisition of houses at strategic points.

It is understood that, hitherto, no German troops in uniform have appeared in Bulgaria and there is thus no question of the British Minister departing. Such a decision would have to be made by the Minister himself, if and when Bulgaria became occupied territory. At the moment, however, Bulgaria retains her nominal independence.—Reuter.

TURKS READY TO ACT IN SUPPORT OF GREEKS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") AMID UNCONFIRMED RUMOURS THAT GERMAN TROOPS ARE ALREADY QUIETLY ENTERING BULGARIA, INFORMED QUARTERS IN ISTANBUL INTIMATED THAT TURKEY WILL ACT TO HALT A NAZI BLOW AGAINST GREECE, DESPITE THE TURCO-BULGAR PACT.

Meanwhile it is reported that Mr. Anthony Eden, the British Foreign Secretary, may go to Ankara to confer with Turkish leaders regarding Nazi military measures in the Balkans.

British forces are reported to be preparing to meet the German advance through Bulgaria against Salonika, though there is still no confirmation of reports that British troops are already en route from North Africa to Greece, or of a large-scale British landing on the island of Lemnos.—International News Service.

Belgrade Reports Of Clashes

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Several were injured in clashes between troops and pro-Russian and Communist elements in a number of Bulgarian towns when riotous crowds demonstrated against the foreign policy of the Bulgarian Government, according to reports received in Belgrade from Sofia.

Fierce riots occurred at Varna, Philippopol and various other towns.

It is reported from Sofia that the Government claims order has been restored. The riots occurred after reports that British forces had established and completed an air and naval base on the strategic Greek island of Lemnos, in the Aegean Sea, 40 miles from the Dardanelles.—International News Service.

WELCOME TO MR. WILLKIE

The Chinese People's Foreign Relations Association in Chungking has called Mr. Wendell Willkie welcoming his visit to China, says a Reuter cable.

PEACE PARLEY DEADLOCK DENIED

Denying reports that the peace negotiations between Thailand and Indo-China in Tokyo have reached a deadlock, a Thai Government communique yesterday said Japanese mediation is proceeding smoothly and there are hopes it will soon be peacefully concluded.—Reuter.

NAZI MOVE

Cannot Be Ignored

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

Reports from many quarters that German troops have been throwing pontoon bridges across the Danube between Rumania and Bulgaria and have closed the river for a distance of over 50 miles, may be part of the German war of nerves directed against Bulgaria and Greece.

German precautions to mask their moves are so strict that accurate knowledge cannot be obtained, but it can be assumed that it is unlikely the Germans could establish such bridges for many hours at a time owing to the masses of ice flowing down river from ice barriers higher up, and also because of the Danube's great width in this sector.

The river here averages one mile almost the whole way between Bulgaria and Rumania.—Reuter.

SHARP GREEK DENIAL

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") The Greek Minister in Washington has issued a categorical denial of reports that he had asked the United States for help "before it is too late."

The reports arose out of a visit the Greek Minister made to Mr. Sumner Welles, the Under-Secretary of State, earlier in the day.—International News Service.

CATANIA RAIDED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Rome Radio reports that British bombers again attacked Catania in Sicily, on Friday night. No reports, however, were given of damage or casualties.—International News Service.

THE 19'S REGISTER

NINETEEN-YEAR-OLDS REGISTERED FOR MILITARY SERVICE IN BRITAIN YESTERDAY. They were the first men to register under the Royal Proclamation of Jan. 20 extending the provisions of the National Service Act to men who have reached the age of 18 but are not yet 41.

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ODD SPOTS OF BOTHER IN DESERT

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent in Abyssinia)

AFTER SAYING farewell to Emperor Haile Selassie in a little straw palace on a Gojjam mountainside I have completed a lone trek of 140 miles on foot across the Abyssinian hills and bush country to the Sudan frontier.

I set off followed by two camelmen with five camels carrying my bed, typewriter and rifle.

First disaster to overtake me was the disappearance of a mule carrying a 10-gallon water tank. I was forced later to dig in the sand with my hands for water. Happily I passed a camel caravan hundreds strong, loaded with rifles, ammunition and food, and escorted by Sudanese troops, though owing to my ragged appearance I had difficulty in persuading them I was British and not Italian.

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I pushed on with the camels, averaging four and a half miles an hour, through bamboo thickets and great rolling plains of elephant grass. Eventually I arrived at the beginning of 40 miles of waterless stretch. Although I had already covered 93 miles across very difficult country I started across this 40 miles of waterless country by moonlight after only three hours' sleep.

Sinister Signs

Lion and leopard tracks, their spurs showing still wet in the moonlight, added to the sinister nature of my trek.

Three of my camels had collapsed and the remaining two were slow, but I pressed on, covering the last few miles in a semi-conscious state, finally

reaching the steep banks of the Dindor River, where I lay drinking to my heart's content, despite the presence of crocodiles. Night had fallen again when I resumed the trek to the Sudan frontier, which I reached after covering 47 miles in 24 hours, completing the journey to Khartoum in a goods train.—Reuter.

VISITOR CLIPPER

Mr. B. S. Fong, Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce in San Francisco and member of the People's Political Council, arrived in Hong Kong by the California Clipper yesterday en route to Chungking to attend the forthcoming session of the Council. He was greeted by prominent Chinese.

The primary purpose of his trip is to attend the coming session of the People's Political Council. "We who live abroad are anxious to do our share to support our war of resistance," he said. "To Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and our gallant army, I carry a message of loyalty and devotion from their compatriots in the American continent."

BRITISH HOME DEFENCE EXERCISE



Large scale exercises took place recently "Somewhere in England" in which 40,000 troops, including an Armoured Division, were engaged. H.R.H. Prince Olaf of Norway and the Commander-in-Chief Home Forces were among the large number of interested spectators. Photo shows a light tank in heavy country.

GOEBBELS HAS ENOUGH

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") The German Ministry of Propaganda's offer to United States citizens to cubic, free, suggestions for the Berlin programmes has been rewarded by so many insulting radiograms from the American people that the German Radio announced expiry of the offer last night.—International News Service.

WAR WEAPONS WEEKS

Three towns — Bridgewater, Newbury and Preston — between them raised nearly £750,000 when their War Weapons Weeks closed. In each case the amount raised was approximately double the amount aimed at.—British Wireless.

POSITIVELY OBNOXIOUS!

While the German-controlled stations of Deutschlandsender, Prague and Budapest were reassuring listeners with statements of the solidity of the Italian internal front, Rome radio itself displayed some uneasiness on this score.

The announcer, after the news bulletin, yesterday complained that cake shops had become centres of attraction for the sham aristocracy, sham bourgeoisie and sham intelligentsia. They had been turned into centres of rumours and gossip and attacks on Government administration, the announcer said. He concluded: "Here is displayed the most repulsive side of the human character!"

H.K. SCHOOL FEES

FOR GENERAL INFORMATION, THE ANNUAL TUITION AND MEDICAL FEES PAYABLE IN GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS WERE PUBLISHED IN THE "GOVERNMENT GAZETTE" YESTERDAY. With the exception of the medical fees of the three rural schools, the Cheung Chau School, the Un Long School and the Tai Po School, there is no change in the rates. Instead of paying a medical fee on admission to the three rural schools, students are now required to pay an annual fee of 50 cents in the case of the Cheung Chau and Un Long Schools, and one dollar annually in the case of the Tai Po school.

VICHY AND FAR EAST CRISIS

THE RELATION OF FRANCE TO EVENTS IN THE FAR EAST WAS ONE OF THE MATTERS DISCUSSED AT FRIDAY'S MEETING OF THE VICHY CABINET, SAYS AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE.

Another matter discussed was the reorganisation of the Cabinet. It is reported that only minor changes are to take place.

The War Office yesterday announced that youths under 17 will not be allowed to join the Home Guard. They are, however, able to join the Cadet Corps and other such organisations.

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HINT OF NEW CHINA FRICTION

Or New Phase Of Old?:::Eighth Route Army Involved

An Appeal From Hunan

AN APPEAL TO THE 18th Group Army — the Chinese Communist Army formerly known as the 8th Route Army — to move into the war areas in accordance with orders from the Chinese High Command, is made by the Hunan Provincial Assembly in a telegram addressed to Mao Tsoh-tung at Yennan.

Mao is requested to forward the telegram to other Communist commanders, including Generals Chu Teh and Peng Teh-huai.

Japan Annoys Germany

It is understood in Tokyo that Mr. Matsuo's repeated denials of any mediation suggestion to Mr. Anthony Eden were followed by a complaint by the German Ambassador against the notion that Japan is acting with the understanding of the Axis.

The Ambassador is reported to have claimed that the British are using Mr. Matsuo's message as propaganda on German weakness.

Repeating the mediation denial, Mr. Matsuo said: "I want to make clear that there was nothing in my reply to Mr. Eden which could be interpreted as an offer to mediate in the European conflict."

He added he could not conceive Mr. Eden placing such an interpretation upon his communication. He further declared it was a misapprehension to suggest that he consulted Germany before sending the reply.—Reuter.

FREE FOR 24 HOURS

ENJOYING 24 HOURS' FREEDOM AFTER ESCAPING FROM THE VICTORIA REMAND PRISON, LAU TAK-TAI, 26, WAS RE-ARRESTED EARLY YESTERDAY MORNING IN POK-FULAM ROAD, NEAR THE HONG KONG UNIVERSITY.

Accused of being held in the Remand Prison pending his appearance for trial at the Criminal Sessions for a breach of the Detention Ordinance when he made his escape.

Charged with escaping from lawful custody, he was remanded for 48 hours yesterday by Mr. G. T. Lowry.

The telegram states: "After four years of the war of resistance we are approaching the day of final victory."

"We hear that the 18th Group Army units in Shensi, Kansu, Hopei, Chahar, Shansi, Shantung and Kiangsu provinces have frequently made independent moves. These reports are causing grave concern."

"We recall that at the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities you pledged loyalty to the Central Government in obedience to General Chiang Kai-shek and affirmed your determination to carry on the war of resistance to a successful conclusion."

"We hope you will obey the orders of the High Command to move into the war areas and avoid a recurrence of such similar incidents in the interests of the country and the people."—Reuter.

Bombing Raid On Derat

Additional details of the successful R.A.F. actions over Albania are given in a communique from H.Q. British forces in Greece.

The raid on Derat, it is stated, was carried out by a large force of bombers escorted by eight Hurricane fighters.

Enemy fighters which met the formation were at once engaged by the Hurricanes. Four were quickly shot down and the remainder dispersed.

Meanwhile the bombers pressed home the attacks causing great damage and confusion in the town.

In the course of another engagement with enemy fighters British fighters definitely shot down two more C59s and a CR42 and one other C59 was so severely damaged that it is unlikely it was able to return to base.—British Wireless.

A three days' remand was ordered by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon this morning when Tsang Chan-ling, 23, was charged with robbery with violence in Kowloon on Friday.



THE RETURN OF H.M.S. KELLY.—The British Destroyer Kelly which was torpedoed by a German U-boat, and claimed as sunk by the German official communique. By a miracle of a miracle and engineering, she was able to reach home and H.M.S. Kelly lives to fight again. — (Copyright, Fox.)

VIENNESE JEWS MAY BE SENT TO POLAND

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

A vast project for the transfer of the entire Jewish population from Vienna to Poland is contemplated, according to a message from Budapest.

The total Jewish population in Vienna totals about 50,000.—International News Service.

DOG CARCASSES IN EATING-HOUSE

That dog's meat is still being provided by certain eating houses for human consumption, was disclosed before Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon yesterday, when Chan Choi, 36, was fined \$200, or three months' hard labour, for keeping an unlicensed eating house at No. 87, Woosung Street.

It was stated that when the house was raided by Sanitary Inspector V. C. Band, a large quantity of dog's meat was found.

NO TRACE FOUND OF MISSING C.N.A.C. 'PLANE

SCOUTING 'PLANES sent out from Hong Kong and Kweilin to endeavour to locate the missing C.N.A.C. passenger machine from Hong Kong to Kweilin have searched in vain for the last 10 days.

The machine was in control of Pilot Joe Thom, an American-born Chinese who has some 7,000 hours flying experience to his credit. He was assisted by Co-pilot Paul Ching who has reached his 5,000 hours in the air.

Both men are two of the most valued and experienced employees of the C.N.A.C.

There was also one Chinese passenger on board the plane but his name is not available.

The missing machine left Hong Kong at 2 a.m. on February 12 and was in radio communication with Chungking until 4 a.m. when a message was transmitted stating that engine trouble was being experienced. The radio suddenly stopped and nothing has since been heard of the machine.

Bad Weather

Weather conditions were very bad at the time when the last message was sent out.

This is the fourth mishap suffered this year by the China National Aviation Corporation, all caused by adverse weather conditions.

WOMEN IN THE GAMBLING RACKET

Convicted for keeping a "Tie Pa" gaming den at No. 19, Ma-tai-tai Road on Friday, Wong Chai-ho, 54, and Chan Kum, 24, married women, were each fined \$100 by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon yesterday.

Six women gamblers and a man were each fined \$3, while the table money, \$7.52, was donated to the Poor Box.

Sergeant Haynes, prosecuting, revealed that five children, under the age of 12, were found on the premises buying lottery tickets.

ALLEGED THREATS TO SEAMAN

Charged with demanding £23.10s. with menaces from Tsun Kwai, 29, seaman, on January 4, and with aiding and abetting a person not in custody, to steal the money, Wong Yik-kun, 24, was remanded until Tuesday afternoon by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon yesterday.

Let-Sgt. A. Bethell, for the prosecution, said that a party, including accused, was arrested by the police, but accused was the only one identified.

Mr. D'Almeida, Remedios, will appear for the accused who was refused bail.

G.O.C. IN C. BACK IN SINGAPORE

Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, Commander-in-Chief, Far East, returned to Singapore yesterday after a fortnight's visit to Australia, where he conferred with the Commonwealth defence chiefs.

Sir Robert expressed himself highly pleased with the results of his visit.

Meanwhile, the Australian troops have gone into intensive training in Northern Malaya, where they have been greeted enthusiastically by the G.O.C., Northern Command, Major-General Lyon.

Training is proceeding alongside British and Indian troops and the Australians are quickly adjusting themselves to conditions quite different from those for which they were trained in Australia.

APPEAL BOARD FORMED

The Advisory Committee appointed under the Defence Regulation governing the powers of the executive to control the movements of persons is composed of Sir Atholl MacGregor, the Chief Justice, as Chairman, and the following members: the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Major R. C. Giles, Major C. H. Barker and Mr. W. H. Lock. The committee's task is to deal with objections to any Order made under the Regulation and to make recommendations.

QUIET ON GREEK FRONT

A Greek G.H.Q. communique states: "Activity was restricted to patrols on some points of the front and an exchange of fire between artillery and infantry."—British Wireless.

LIFE IN NAZI PRISON

A high French officer who was captured in Norway but managed to escape from Germany across the Balkans to join the Free French forces in the Middle East has in a press interview given revealing details of French war prisoners.

He said they were underfed and the food was not fit to eat. A French peasant would not feed his pigs with it.

"It is just enough," he said, "to keep one alive, not keep one in health."

French and Polish prisoners were made to work like horses. They worked fourteen hours a day and during the lunch hour. Their clothes were confiscated and given to German workers. He had seen some of them made to work in the depths of winter socks, less, huddled and wearing only a cotton shirt and shorts.

Every effort was being made to break down morale by anti-British propaganda.

The "Trail d'Union" is published in Berlin and edited by a few Doriot sympathisers found among the two million French prisoners in Germany.

"Propaganda is such," said the officer, "that I myself really believed the French fleet had already been handed over to Germany when I managed to escape."—British Wireless.

VEHICULAR FERRY HOLDUP

A TRAFFIC JAM BETWEEN HONG KONG AND KOWLOON OCCURRED ON THURSDAY WHEN A CABLE ON THE SUSPENSION GANGWAY AT THE VEHICULAR FERRY WHARF ON THE ISLAND WAS DAMAGED.

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JAPAN MOVES WARILY**DEVELOPMENT OF FAR EAST CRISIS**

STORM clouds continued to swirl above the Pacific as Admiral Nomura, new Japanese envoy to Washington, arrived in the United States, while his countrymen planted their flag at Saigon and Camranh Bay.

The undeclared war in the jungles of Cambodia between Thailand and French Indo-China is replaced by an uneasy peace, and both belligerents have won a pyrrhic victory. The real victor is the "mediator" Japan. For Japan expects to extort concessions from both powers and continue her low infiltration, economic, political and military, into Southeastern Asia. Her march of conquest seems certain, despite Admiral Nomura's smiling optimism about the future of Japanese-American relations, to result, sooner or later, in a fundamental clash between Eastern and Western civilisations.

But for the moment that clash is still averted. The forces of Japanese imperialism have been moving by carefully calculated steps towards their goal of a "New Order" in the Pacific, and their advance southward toward the great oriental citadel of Western civilisation—Singapore—has been deliberately gradual. For the forces—British, American, Dutch—that could oppose Japan in the Western Pacific are so considerable and Japan's involvement in the protracted China war so debilitating to her economy and her national strength that her ends must be accomplished by opportunistic means, rather than by sheer force.

Two Theatres Linked

Unquestionably Japan is ready to use force if she believes her gamble for empire and domination can succeed. But the time is not yet—though it may be soon. For Japan's actions are plainly predicted upon events in Europe. The attention of Europe and the West must be distracted by their own wars, by a crisis in which Britain is threatened with defeat, before Japan can be expected to play her final card.

That is why a crisis in Europe in the Spring may be accompanied by a crisis in the Orient in the Spring. The two may not be synonymous but they are nearly so. If Britain seems to waver beneath the anticipated great assault of Germany this Spring and Summer, Japan may choose the moment to strike in the south toward the Netherlands Indies, toward Singapore, perhaps toward the Philippines.

Such a blow might be simultaneous with a blow against Brit-

If Britain Seems To Waver Beneath The Anticipated Great Assault Of Hitler, Japan May Choose Her Moment To Strike South

By
HANSON W. BALDWIN

ain, but it seems more likely that cautious Japanese leaders, restricted to some extent by the war weariness and fatalistic pessimism of their people, would hold their hand until the outcome of the campaign of Britain was forecast by events. If Germany were to suffer a great defeat the blow in the East might never fall, but if Britain and the British Empire tottered, it seems likely that the Far East would be caught in the maelstrom of general conflict.

Japanese Forces

There is a chance that events in the Far East might precede events in Europe, for there is no doubt that Germany looks upon Japan as one way of striking at the British Empire, root, trunk and branch, and that any conflict or threat of conflict in the Orient which would force a still further dispersion of British strength would be welcomed and fostered by the Reich.

If events in the Far East do come to the show-down of war, what are the forces that could be mustered by both sides? Take first the forces against Japan.

There is, first of all, the British outpost of Hong Kong, near which a Japanese force was landed last week to cut one of the few remaining Chinese supply arteries. Garrisoned by some 10,000 troops, some submarines and light torpedo craft, and with the rocky ridges heavily gunned and the entrances mined, Hong Kong is a formidable, though by no means an impregnable fortress. Its weakness is to air attack and blockade. It is an isolated outpost, around which the Japanese tide might swirl in vain for a time but which would eventually be submerged.

And there is China still fighting after forty-three months of war against an aggressor who has overrun her territory and killed hundreds of thousands of her people, but who is still opposing Japan with an irregular army of perhaps 2,000,000 to 3,000,000 men, an army that has tied up possibly 30 to 50 per cent. of Japan's land forces, 40 to 75 per cent. of her air force and a small part of her navy in the Chinese operations.

Philippine Strength

And there are the Philippines, with 10,000 to 12,000 American troops and Filipino Scouts, with 30,000 troops of the Philippine Army and 150,000 reservists, with an air force of more than 100 planes, with the heavy fortifications at Corregidor in the harbour of Manila Bay, and with the United States Asiatic fleet (three cruisers, thirteen destroyers, eighteen submarines, two squadrons of patrol planes) defending its shores.

Further south there are the Netherlands Indies, rich repository of oil and tin and wealth. Quietly but effectively the Netherlands Indies have armed against the future crisis. Considerable numbers of American planes have been shipped to Java and other Indies islands. There are possibly 300 to 500 American Martin and

Lockheed bombers, German Dorniers, Consolidated flying boats, Curtiss P-36 pursuit planes and other types scattered at bases such as Morokrenbang, Sourabaya, Bandung and Ambona. There are three cruisers in the Netherlands Indies fleet, seven or eight destroyers, more than forty torpedo boats, a considerable number of submarines and quite a few motor torpedo boats.

Japan's Strength

The advantages Japan holds in this vast area is in naval strength. The weakness of all these scattered strongholds in the East around which the Japanese tide is beginning to lap is naval. They are not linked together and made one strong defence unit by naval forces capable of meeting the Japanese fleet.

At Singapore, Port Darwin and elsewhere are stationed light units of the British fleet—cruisers, auxiliary cruisers, destroyers, submarines and probably an aircraft carrier. But none of these forces or the American Asiatic fleet, the Australian, New Zealand and Dutch fleets combined are a match for the whole Japanese fleet, though they could offer serious opposition.

And The Answer

Collectively the forces of the West in the Orient are strong. Individually they are not strong enough—in themselves—to withstand the pent-up forces of Japanese imperialism—if they are released. Thus, Western outposts in the Orient, like Japan herself, are looking towards the rest of the world, looking particularly toward Hawaii, where is based a fleet greater than Japan's, the Pacific Fleet of the United States. And the mood of the United States has been made sufficiently plain to suggest that they will not look in vain.

At A World Crossroads

Australia and New Zealand are at the moment outside the orbit of Japanese expansionist ambitions, but both recognise that Singapore and the Netherlands Indies are bastions of their defence and that a Japan in the Netherlands Indies would be a Japan upon Australia's doorstep.

Singapore, the famed Gibraltar of Asia, is at the crossroads of commerce and trade. It dominates the exits from the South China Sea, and with Port Darwin it tends to dominate the Netherlands Indies. It is the final major bastion over which the tide of Japanese ambitions must roll on its way to domination of the East, if those ambitions are not to break into a frothing surf of disaster.

Singapore is a citadel that will not fall easily, if at all. Its 2,400-acre naval base has docks capable of handling the world's largest ships: it bristles with guns; it is fortified by nature with the moat of Johore Strait separating it from the Malaysian peninsula, and at Seletar, principal air base, Hawker Hurricanes, Lockheed Hudson reconnaissance bombers, Sunderland flying boats, Bristol Blenheim bombers and other modern types are based.

They range far afield to advance and outlying bases—Penang, Malacca, Jesselton, North Borneo and probably to the Dutch bases but the Japanese flag is now planted at Saigon, within 600 miles by air of Singapore. There are probably from 400 to 700 British and Australian planes in and around Singapore, with others in India that might be flown to Singapore. The garrison may number from

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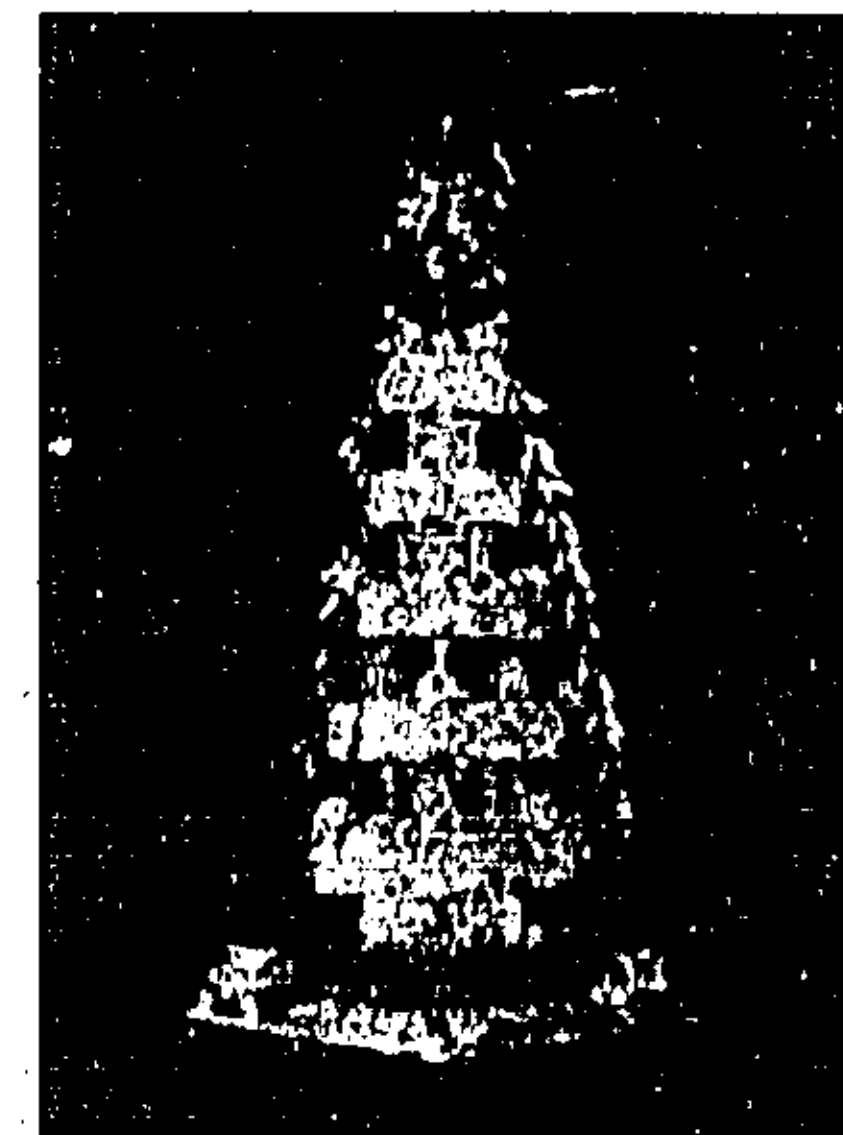
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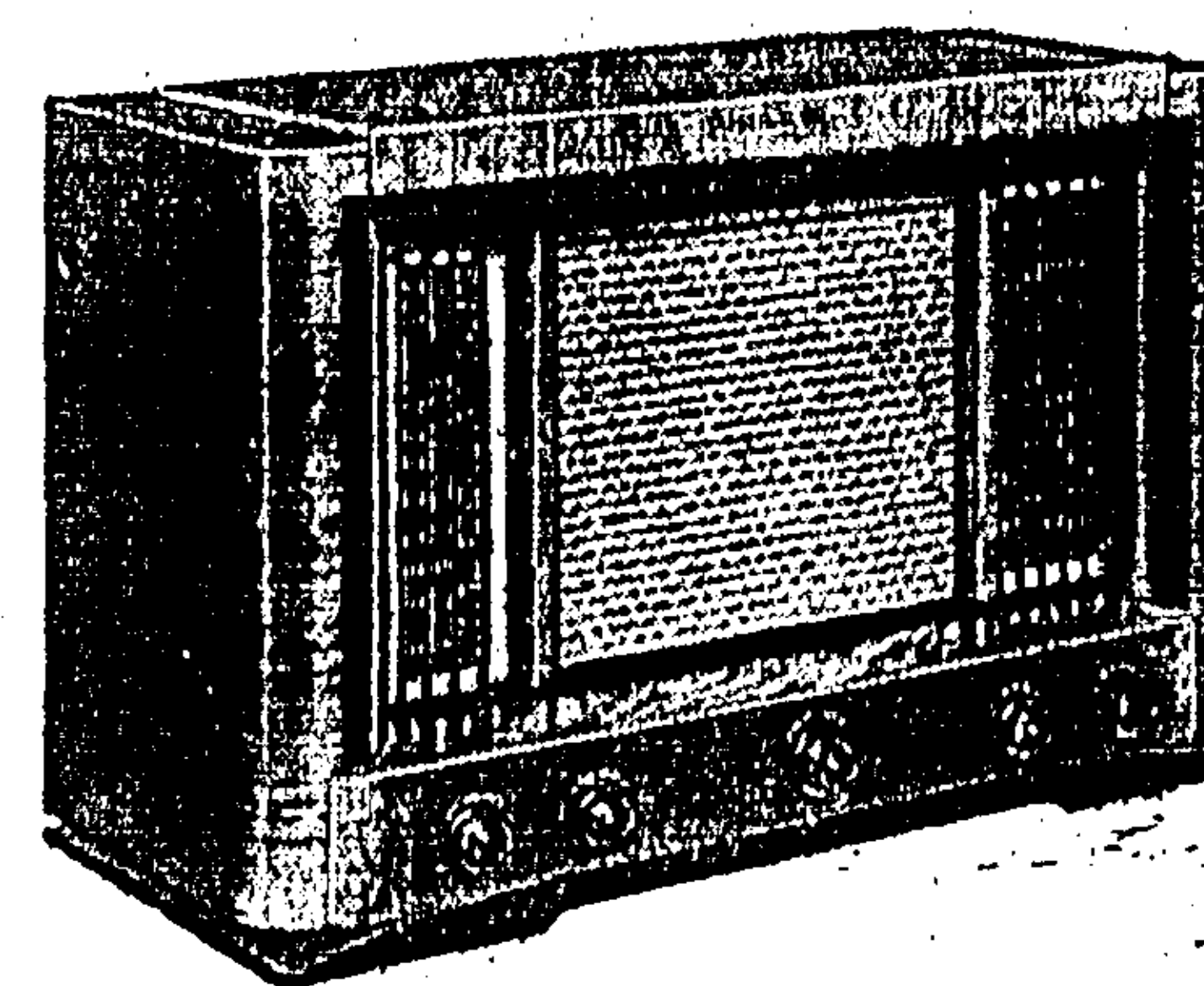
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THE WEAPONS OF DIPLOMACY ARE BEING USED AS THEY SHOULD BE, TO SUPPORT AND REINFORCE THE MILITARY ARM.

This is the moral "The Times," in an editorial yesterday, draws from the arrival in Egypt of the C.I.G.S., General Sir John Dill, and the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden. "The Times" is of the opinion that the Cairo visit shows that the British Government is thinking ahead and that the initiative is again in British hands.

Through British military headquarters in Cairo lies the right avenue of approach to the whole of the complex problems whose present nerve centre is somewhere in the Balkans.

Anglo-Turkish cooperation, continues "The Times," has been fully maintained in many conversations in past months and Mr. Eden's presence in the Near East can hardly fail to stimulate it. THE CRISIS OF THIS NEW WAR OF NERVES SEEMS TO BE CLOSE AT HAND. FIRMNESS IS THE BEST GUARANTEE THAT IT WILL BE SAFELY AND TRIUMPHANTLY MOUNTED.

The immediate role of Britain must be to intensify effective assistance to the gallant Greeks and to help make the Greek defences proof against any attack that can be launched.

Turkey's Power

The collaboration of Turkey in this project would substantially enhance the certainty of its successful performance, and the likelihood that the war can, even now, be prevented from approaching

near the Turkish frontiers. Hitler has proved himself a part master in overwhelming those who temporise, but has shown an equally marked reluctance to challenge resolute, well-prepared defiance.

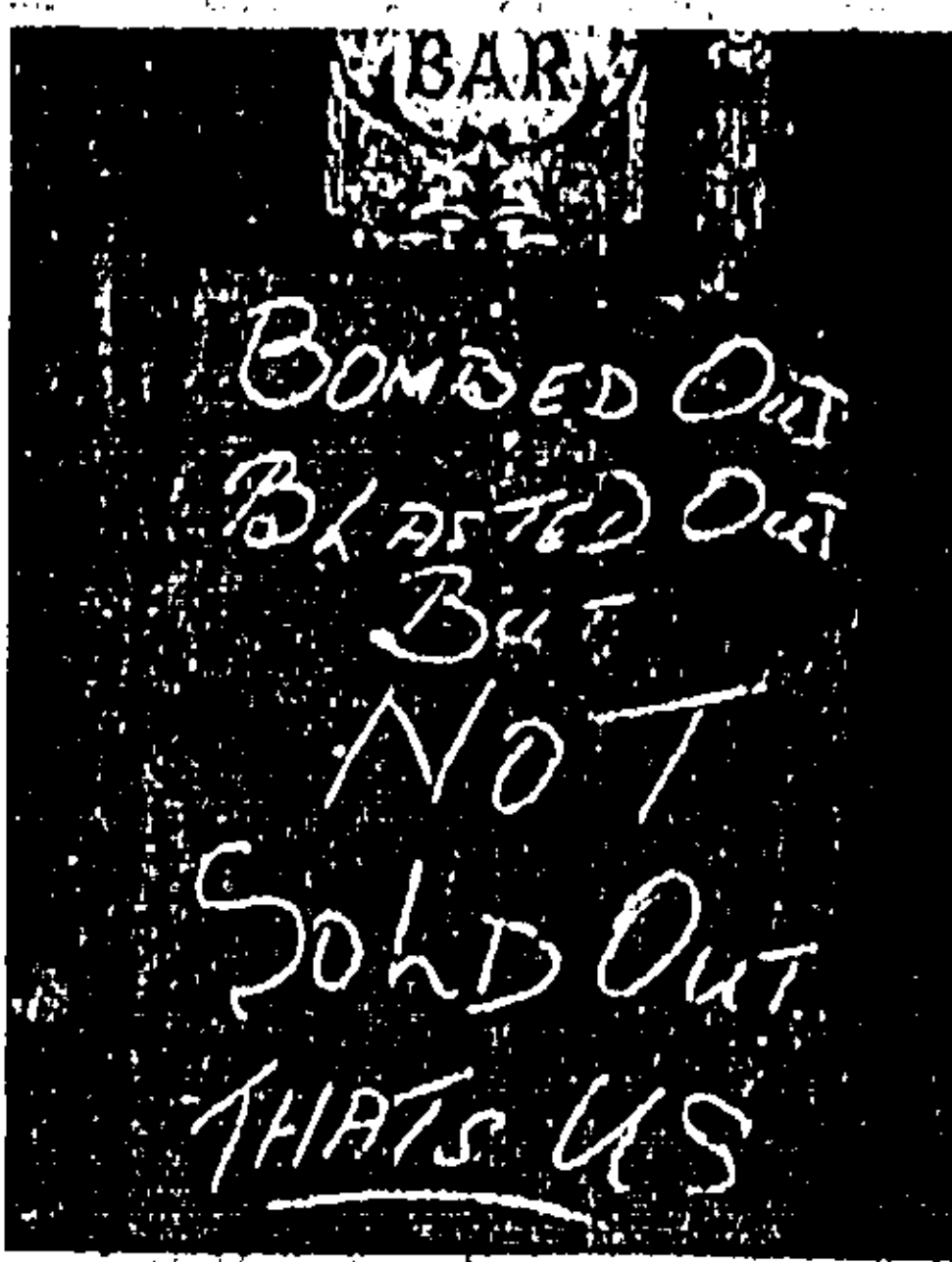
African Problems

The victories in Africa are bringing problems of an administrative character, some of which are closely connected with Mr. Eden's present functions as Foreign Secretary. It is important that these problems should not be handled piecemeal, and it should be made clear to the world that the temporary administrative measures necessary in the liberated territories do not prejudice their future status.

In none has Britain any territorial designs or ambitions, concludes "The Times." She holds them by right of conquest only until they can take their place in a new order designed to promote the welfare and give the fullest satisfaction to the needs of their peoples. — Reuter.



"Business as usual" is a serious slogan in England. Here are three bombed examples: (1) a barber shop, (2) a pub and (3) a hat shop with customers shopping through broken windows.



GREAT BRITAIN'S POWERS OF SUDDEN ATTACK

A TRIBUTE TO THE STRENGTH OF BRITAIN'S WORLD POSITION APPEARS IN THE DANISH PRO-NAZI WEEKLY "KRITISK UGEREVUE," WHICH IS ALL THE MORE SIGNIFICANT IN VIEW OF THAT JOURNAL'S PAST ANTI-BRITISH TENDENCIES.

It recalls classic examples of the past of Britain's circumferential strategy of exhaustion based on mastery of the world's transport routes.

"Napoleon was forced to fight everywhere and where he least wanted, not because he was weaker in power but because he was weaker in maritime transport. These facts of vital strategic realities held good to-day and are not changed by one jot. England remains an isolated island, exposed certainly to destructive air attacks, but tremendously strong."

The article proceeds: "Unknown to the rest of the world England assembled her main colonial army in Africa with a fleet, air force and tank divisions, wherever they are now chasing the Italians from their African colonies despite the German air force, whose help apparently came too late."

To England Alone

Despite hundreds of thousands of bombs dropped over England's harbours, wharves, factories, war industries and towns, the enormous military offensive was quickly prepared and was so strong that it completely defeated the Italians. It is difficult to see how the Axis powers are able to prevent or counteract the devastating effect of England's methods of

TOWN IN WALES VICTIM OF SEVERE RAID

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Many are reported to have been killed and injured, while heavy damage was done, when repeated relays of German bombers rocked a town on the coast of Wales on Friday night with a heavy bombardment.

The planes first dropped parachute flares and then bombs that started many fires. — International News Service.

CHILDREN FOR THE HARVEST

TO MEET THE DEMANDS OF AGRICULTURE FOR ADDITIONAL LABOUR—A DEMAND WHICH THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE STRESSED IN A BROADCAST YESTERDAY—SCHOOL HOLIDAYS ARE TO BE FIXED, AT SHORT NOTICE IF NECESSARY, FOR PERIODS WHEN THE NEEDS FOR SEASONAL AGRICULTURE ARE AT THEIR HIGHEST.

Government consider it essential that the fullest use be made of assistance by children over 14, consistent with the maintenance of health and the interests of education.

The Board of Education state that local education authorities should arrange the holiday period of each school to conform to the agricultural needs of the immediate neighbourhood.

The Board also suggest that parties of pupils in secondary day and boarding schools should be organised under proper supervision to visit local farms on certain days in term time to help with the planting and lifting of potatoes. — British Wireless.

BLOCKADE OF JAPAN SUGGESTED

A SUGGESTION THAT an Anglo-American economic blockade might prevent hesitant Japan from plunging in the war to aid a partnership which has already shown it had at least one foot of clay, was made by Sir Frederick Whyte, broadcasting on Friday night.

Sir Frederick said that President Roosevelt's firmness and the action taken by Great Britain and Australia had resulted in a distinct easing of the position in the Far East but that the crisis was not yet over.

It did not matter to Hitler what Japan did, said Sir Frederick, or how she did it, provided she furthered his ambitions in Europe. Japan had been engaged in military operations of a varying magnitude for nine and half years.

While he did not over-estimate the extent to which Japan's resources had been strained, he asked whether Japan might not be under-estimating the risk she is running of being cut off from vital supplies.

An economic blockade might well be effective in checking her without a single shot being fired, concluded Sir Frederick. — Reuter.

VALUE OF FALL OF MEGA

The Italian capitulation at Mega, Southern Abyssinia, is seen by competent observers in relation to the capture of the Italian Somaliland port of Kismayu and to the campaign as a whole in this part of Africa.

Had the Italians held the frontier north-east of Lake Rudolf and the Kismayu area, an invasion of Abyssinia would have been indefinitely postponed by the impossibility of transport.

But Mega puts the South Africans astride a first class road and Kismayu opens a short 320 miles sea route from Mombasa and also metalled roads in the interior towards Prekar.

While the capitulation at Mega marks the failure of Italy's white troops in the first encounter in this area, the victories here and in Abyssinia are otherwise important because of the approach of the rains due in mid-March. — British Wireless.

DISTRICT OFFICER TOWED

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. John Barrow, District Officer, North, of Island House, Taipei, and Miss Katherine Billing, Collyer Nursing Sister, of the Queen Mary Hospital.



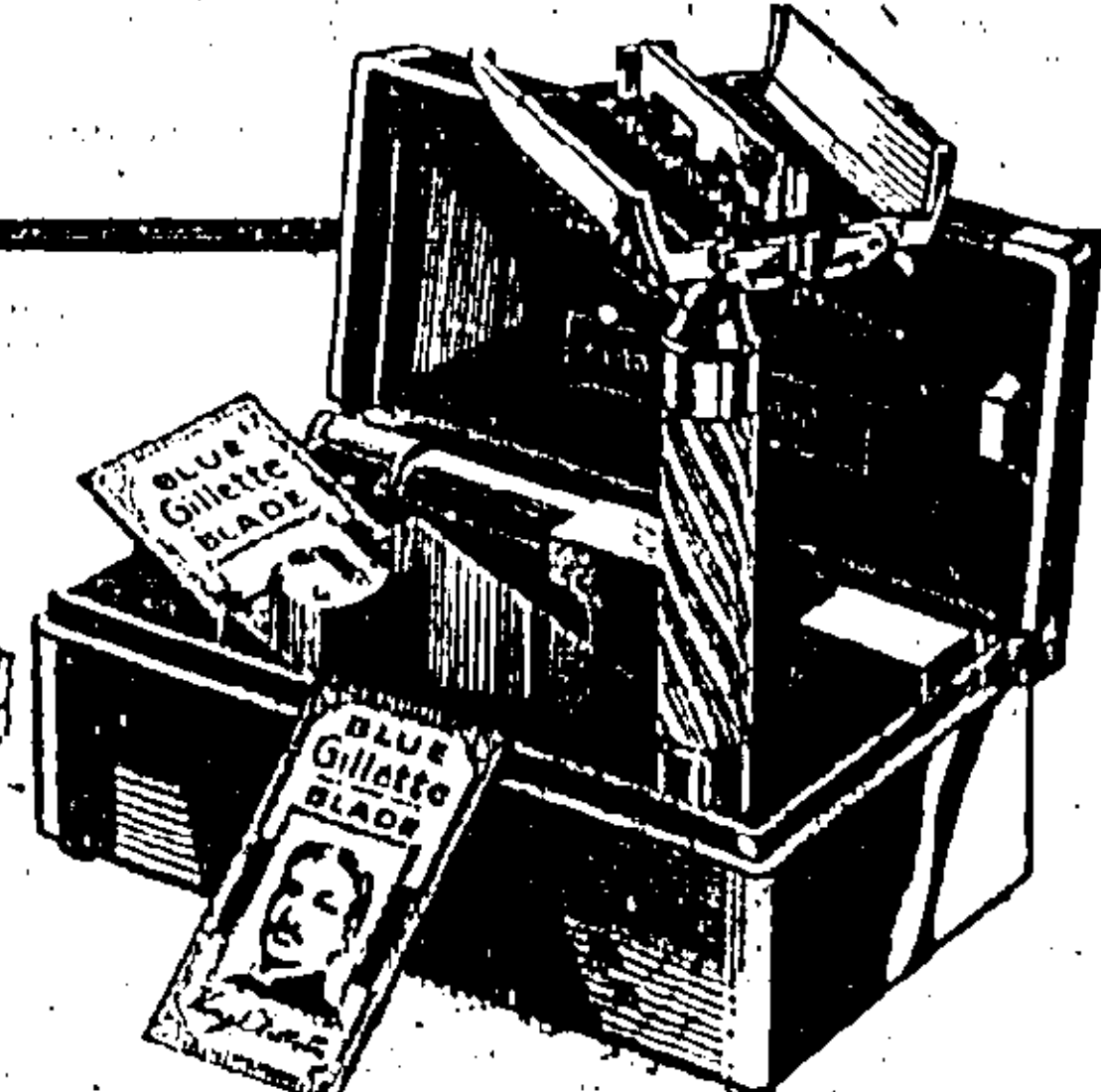
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APPEAL FOR GREEKS

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Lord Moyne seeks the opening of the British Prime Minister's promise to "render every assistance possible to our gallant Greek ally."

The Anglo-Hellenic Committee, under the chairmanship of the British Minister in Athens, has been appointed to administer the fund in Athens. — British Wireless.

PREMIER THANKS KUALA LUMPUR

The Prime Minister has expressed sincere thanks to the Association of Ex-Servicemen of Kuala Lumpur, Federated Malay States, for a telegram stating: "To you, as an Ex-Serviceman, this annual meeting of Ex-Servicemen of Kuala Lumpur, awaiting unperturbed whatever may come, send their most loyal greetings and their promise of fullest co-operation under your leadership." — British Wireless.

MOBILISATION LAW IN JAPAN

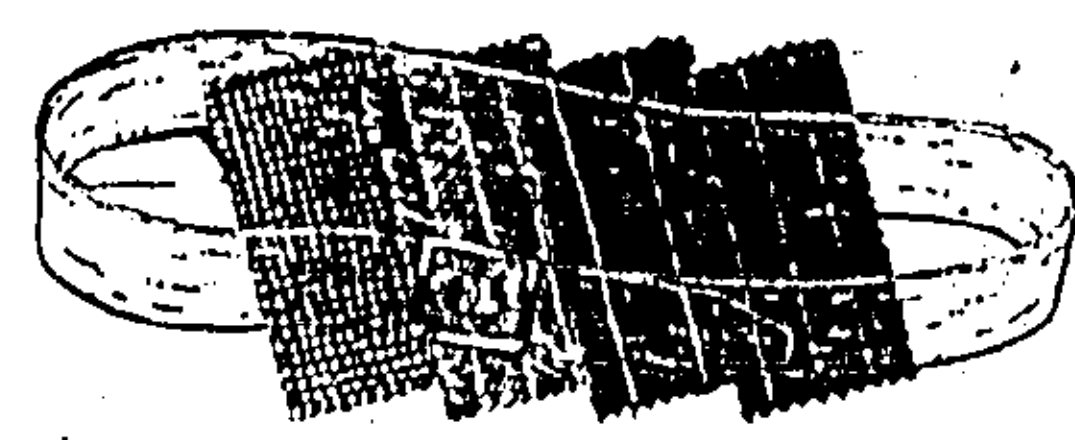
(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") The Japanese House of Peers yesterday passed the Japanese Mobilisation Act. The Bill now goes to the Emperor for signature. — International News Service.

GENEROUS GIFTS BY RAJAH OF SARAWAK

THE RAJAH OF SARAWAK, SIR CHARLES VYNER-BROOKE, HAS OFFERED A GIFT OF \$1,000,000 TO THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT AS A FURTHER CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THE PROSECUTION OF THE WAR.

Lord Moyne, the Colonial Secretary, has cabled: "Please inform His Highness that the government gratefully accept the offer and warmly appreciate this further aid from Sarawak to our common cause." This is the third large gift from the Rajah. In the year 1939 he gave \$1,000,000 and in June last year \$500,000. Sterling value of the dollar is 2/4. — British Wireless.

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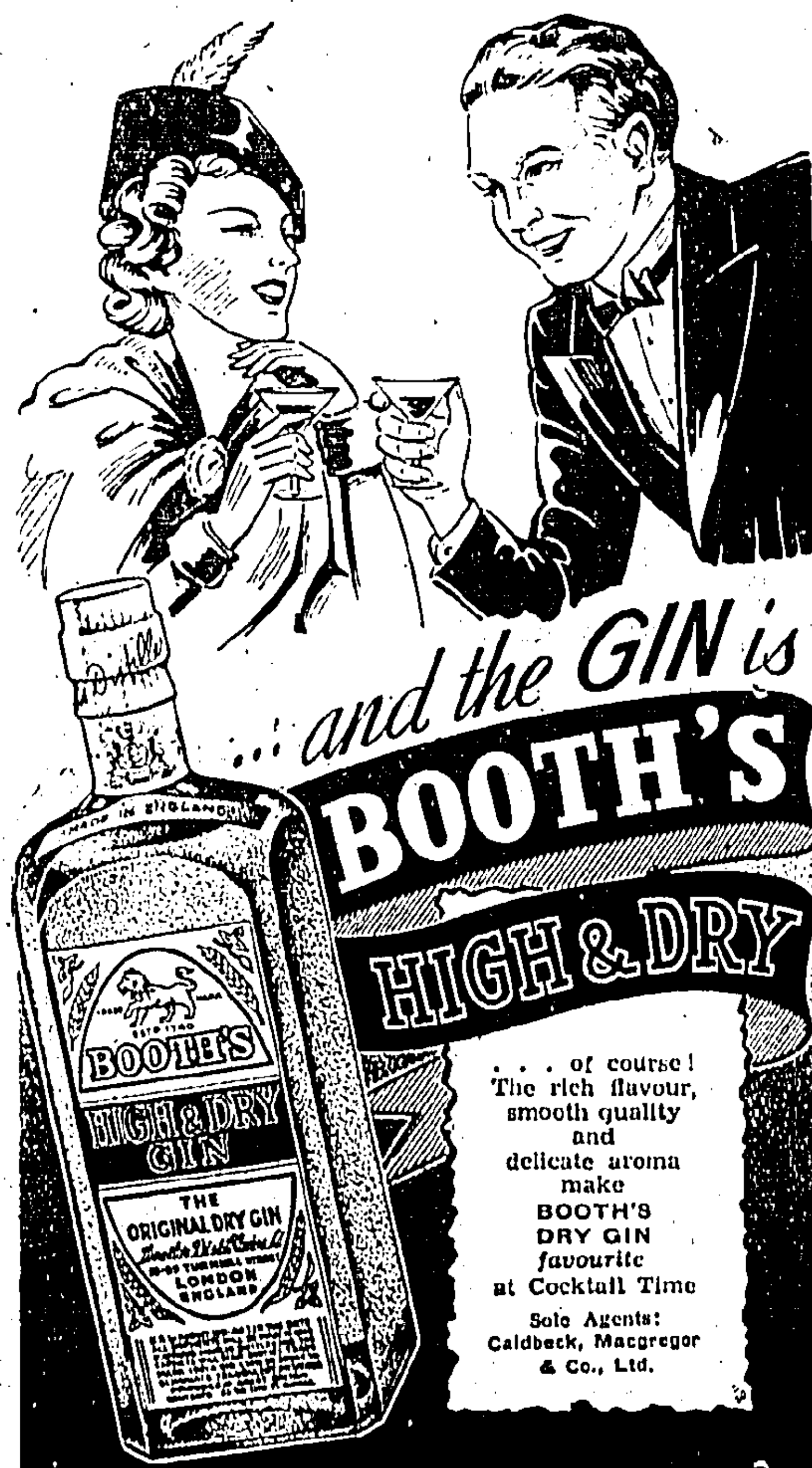
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torious service. He recruited over
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about 20,000 in Hong Kong.

THE war over, Mr. Lee Ching
started a refining business in
Shanghai and made a successful
job of it until 1932, when the
factory was destroyed in the Sino-
Japanese hostilities. Nothing
daunted, he came to Hong Kong
and established the first up-to-
date plant for the production of
tiles and brickwork of all des-
criptions, the experience and
knowledge he had gained in
France standing him in good
stead. This factory, situated in
Sunpui, Castle Peak, has con-
tinuously expanded and now
covers an area of 60 acres, em-
ploying some 500 workers. Raw
materials abound in the natural
resources of the New Territories,
and are found abundantly in areas
adjacent to the factory.

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chines, the plant has now
added to its production the out-
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Thanks to the enterprise of Mr.
Lee, local manufacturers are no
longer dependent on foreign sup-
plies. Other powders produced
are white clay, fire clay and
chromite dust.

Mr. Lee visualises with con-
fidence the development of pro-

FOR three nights this coming
week, the colony will be
wrapped in a darkness that can
be felt, while "raiders" drone over-
head and searchlights earnestly
scan the skies to detect them.

Talking to flying friends during
the week we were told that night
operations are considered no more
hazardous than those performed
by day, although, of course, forced
landings are fraught with extra
peril. One pilot told, in a man-
ner clearly indicative of his com-
plete indifference - "The sun comes
up and the sun goes down and we
fly without noticing." Night flying
forms an integral part of every
pilot's training and causes him
no more concern than a night
drive would a motorist.

"BLIND flying" is however, a
different matter. Flying with
some visibility, however small, is
termed "contact flying," and the
pilot "flies with eyes," certain in-
struments assuming, comparative-
ly, a secondary importance.
"Blinded" by solid darkness, or
by fog, on all sides, the instru-
ments are relied on solely for the
safe manipulation of the aircraft,
and on those quivering needles the
pilot hangs his life.
In the early days of air-con-
quest, night flying was considered
a venture, but subsequent im-
provements in both instruments
and machines have made it the
commonplace it is to-day.

RADIO advancement, too, has
greatly decreased danger and
difficulty, beam transmissions, for
example, keeping a plane on
course and diminishing irksome
navigation duties.
When those planes drone over-



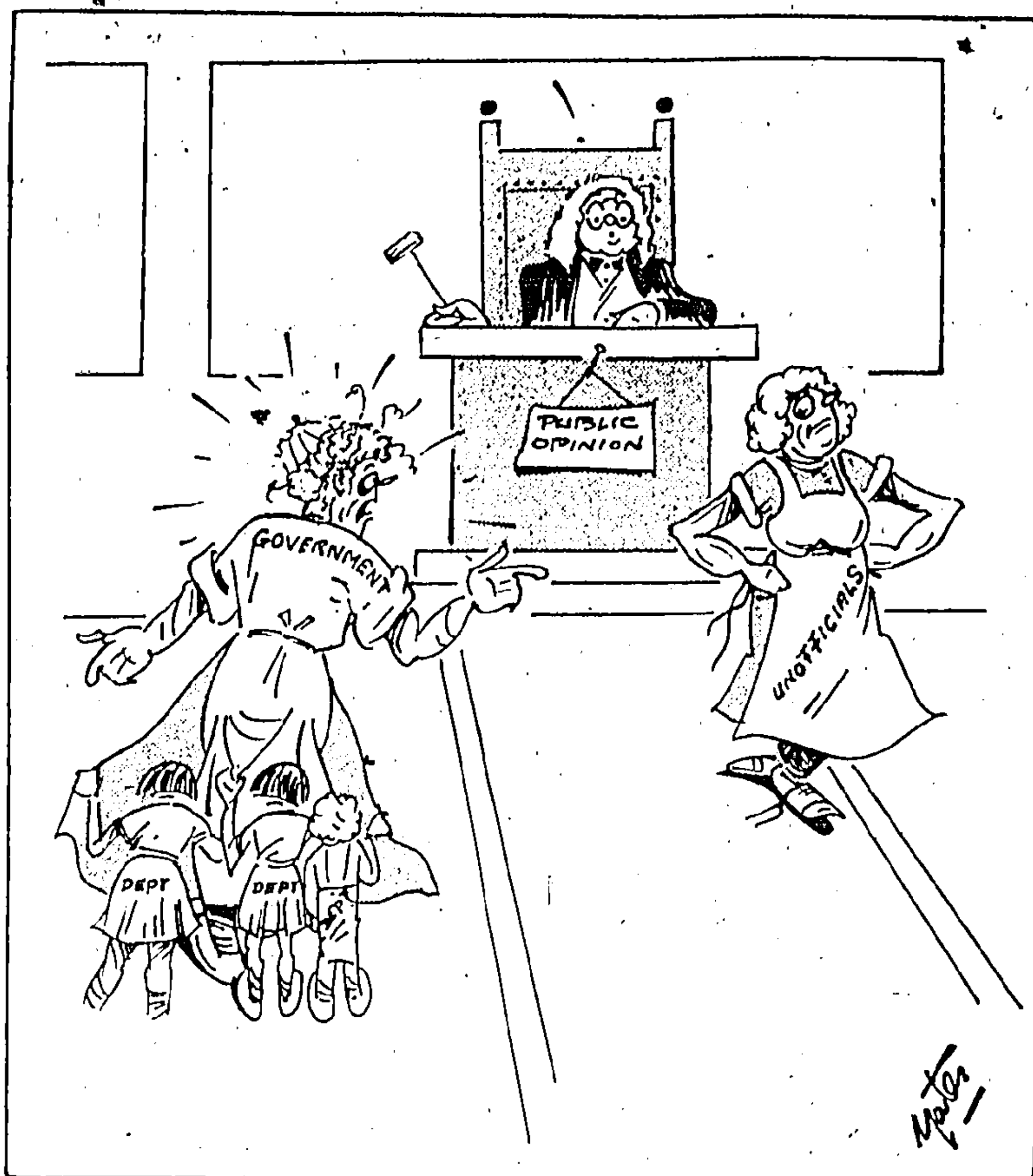
Mr. W. L. Lewis, of the
N.Y.K., who has been trans-
ferred to New York.

head, there seems little cause for
quails as to the safety of the
crews.

Renovation Required

PRINCE'S and Queen's buildings,
forming a back-ground to
the Queen Victoria memorial in
St. James Square, show gleaming
facades from newly-painted paint.
This adds to the beauty of the
neighbourhood, but emphasises the
lamentable condition of the Vic-
toria cupola, which is so glaringly
folled.

The stonework tells of a thou-
sand battles against the elements,
while a small but healthy crop of
moss adds light green to the
dirty brown and black.
It was a dull day when we
noticed this, but the memorial
seemed to be saying - "Away sor-
did day: come quickly welcome
night!"



AND ALL I SAID, YER HONOUR, WAS "INCOME TAX."

Food For Thought

TENSION in the Far East has
been occupying the principal
headlines for more than a fort-
night now - and no completely
satisfactory answer has yet been
provided to explain why Hong
Kong, nearest the front door if
anything does break, is less jit-
tery than any other part of the
Pacific.

It may be we are just a bunch
of unemotional thick-skulls, on
whom the facts of life are slow
to penetrate, but the slightly
more flattering solution is that
the cry of "Wolf" has been raised
so often, that we cannot be
stirred any longer.

Down under, judging from some
of the cables hurled from wor-
ried spouses to Hong Kong, the
hobby-jebbies have run amuck.
The best of them, however, has
left one husband, whose name
we dare not mention, rather
thoughtful. It ran:

"SELL UP EVERYTHING AND
SEND DOWN YOUR INSUR-
ANCE PAPERS."

Which reminds us (we are not
quite sure how the association of
ideas developed) of the spectacle
of a satirical comic, carrying a
sandwich-board in the central
district the other day, which
said: "Dust Be My Destiny."

Pronunciation Individualism

WE liked the approach of the
latest ZBW critic whose sense
of disquiet has been stirred by
the pronunciations of the news
announcers. "Beng. Itazi" and
"barridge" (for barrage) are
about the worst we have heard
for a long time. The gentle
tone of protest is likely to achieve
more than the jazz-classe
vehementness.

A few months ago, the an-
nouncers might have turned to
Mr. Winston Churchill as justifi-
cation for individualism. The
Prime Minister, judging by his
broadest speeches, definitely had
his own ideas on pronunciation
of foreign words especially. In
his most recent speech, however,
he pronounced Vichy like a
Frenchman and Benes like a
Czech. He remained insular only
in his treatment of the "Narsica."
Mr. Churchill is one of the few
who still give the Fuchrer the
courtesy of an Herr before his
name.

The Bier Of St. Beatrice

THERE are scores of things of
interest about this Colony of
ours which few of us, except by
accident, know anything about.
The other day, for instance, as
the result of a casual conversa-
tion, we made post haste to the
Cannossian Convent, saw the iden-
tically Mother Vichy, and were courte-
ously ushered to the bier of St.
Beatrice.

TO the Catholic community in
the Far East, it represents the
first of the wonders of the world.
And with good reason. Enshrined
in a glass case, the edges of which
are surrounded with golden
leaves, lies the corpse of a little
maiden, who has been in eternal
sleep for 1,800 years, and whose
features remain as those of the
living, asleep, miraculously pre-
served from decay.

WE asked Mother Vichy who, by
the way, is the Vice-Super-
ioress of the Convent, for the his-
tory of the child who could not
have been more than ten years
when she departed this world.
St. Beatrice, she said, was born
early in the second century of the
Christian era, the daughter of a
noble Roman family. She em-
braced the faith of Christendom
when still in infancy despite the
fact that in those days Christians
were killed when caught, by the
Caesars of the Roman Empire.
Little is known of her early life,
except that when still in her
teens, she was denounced as a
Christian to Lucetius, Governor
of Rome, who, in order to seize
her property, had her strangled.

IT is said that afterwards, when
Lucetius was celebrating with
friends and actually speaking in-
sultingly of the Christian Mar-
tyrs, he heard a voice say:
"Hear, O Lucetius, Thou hast
killed and taken possession."



MR. LEE CHING.

Therefore, are thou given into the
hands of the enemy." At the
sound, Lucetius turned pale and
trembled, and the voice mentally
tormented him so much that he died
three hours later. According to
the "Legendario" (Book of Le-
gends) the mysterious voice had
been that of an infant, whom a
woman was nursing as she stood
among the crowd.

THE holy remains of St. Beatrice
were brought to Hong Kong
in 1884 and have remained since
in the Chapel of the Cannossian
Sisters. When war broke out in
September, 1939, the Sisters of
the Cannossian Convent placed

the map of Hong Kong in one of
the hands of the little saint,
where it still remains, in order
to protect Hong Kong from the
ravages of war.

A New Cartoonist

The cartoon in this page is by
Mr. Smith Yates, a newcomer to
the Colony, from Shanghai, and
as it seems to be no longer a se-
cret that he has joined the "China
Mail" as a member of the staff, it
is possible to disclose that as
from Wednesday next his cartoons
will appear daily in that journal.
Chatting with him yesterday,
somewhat under difficulties, we
found him exceedingly modest
about his capabilities, pointing
out how necessary it is for him to
acquire local colour, and to dis-
cover the Colony's peculiar
idiosyncrasies (of which there are
plenty enough) before he can
tackle cartoons dealing with local
topics with assurance. Judging
by to-day's effort, however, he
doesn't need much!

We gathered that Mr. Smith
Yates derived most of his skill
as an artist by training under
Sapron, the cartoonist of the
"North China Daily News," who
is famed throughout the Far East.
What he does not stress, however,
is that he has had in his career to
struggle against a severe disabili-
ty, for he has been afflicted with
complete deafness since infancy.
He seems to have overcome it suc-
cessfully enough to justify a sug-
gestion that his "China Mail"
series will be followed with con-
siderable interest.

Mr. Lee Ching

IN the headlines in New York
newspapers is Miss Leo Ya-
ching, China's best-known air-
woman and a member of the fa-
mous Caterpillar Club (a privilege
conferred only on those who to
save their lives have been forced
to bale out of a plane). Miss Lee
has always been in the public
eye and now is doing great things
working in New York for China
war relief.

Not so well-known, though
equally deserving of mention, is
her father, Mr. Lee Ching, who
has been in Hong Kong for some
years now. We ran across Mr. Lee
at a film party the other day and
managed, though it was a hard
job to obtain personal details from
this modest Hong Kong manufac-
turer, to get the low-down on a
more than interesting personali-
ty.

MR. Lee Ching was in France at
the outbreak of the Great War,
having been commissioned by the
Chinese Government to study
the French chemical industry.
On China's entry into the war,
however, he became quite an im-
portant figure from the Allied
point of view, for he returned to
China and contributed important-
ly to the organisation of labour

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Looking Facts In The Face

FOR sheer blind refusal to look facts in the face, it would be difficult to surpass the suggestions put forward that the President's lenient bill should be amended so as to prohibit the use of American naval vessels for convoy duties in the North Atlantic, or other zones of belligerent activity.

situation in which we must either admit our policy of aid to Britain to be a failure, perhaps a disaster.

Victory nullified by the loss of the battle of transportation.

By Major George F. Eliot

"New York Tribune" Military Correspondent

trous failure, or be prepared to take definite steps to support it and carry it through to success. We cannot afford to win the battle of production only to have our

Naval Transfers Not Solution

These are the inescapable facts of the situation, and they are facts which must be frankly faced and resolutely answered. We are not playing for noughts, but a nation of determined men and women striving to preserve our way of life against the deadliest threat which has arisen in our history. We cannot afford to set our backs to a course with one hand and behind our backs by restrictive and unrealistic legislation. Nor can we afford to try to meet the situation by a further transfer of our naval vessels to a foreign flag, even though it be the flag of our friends. This is not the American way of doing things, as Gen. John J. Pershing once said very forcibly to an assembly of

Our Admirals

By Captain Bernard Acworth

FOR the moment it has once more become a naval war. Recent events have pushed the Navy well into the forefront of the news.

Yet, ask yourself, how many of our admirals do you know by name? You will probably answer: Two, Sir Dudley Pound, the First Sea Lord, and Cunningham of the Mediterranean.

Let us look at some of the others.

Who has commanded the Atlantic fleet throughout the war, and is about to relinquish it? Admiral Sir Charles Forbes, a Scot, a gunnery expert, and essentially a "big ship" man, with much Admiralty and staff experience.

Admiral Tovey, aged 65, but looking 45, a famous destroyer officer, and essentially a "small ship" man, with little, if any, staff or Admiralty experience, if I remember rightly.

With fair hair, blue eyes, a straight nose and a formidable chin, his appearance is just what Hitler would like his own to be.

Who commands the Atlantic battle cruisers, flying his flag in the Hood, the biggest warship in the world? Admiral Whitworth, who won fame by taking the battleship Warspite into the dangerous North Sea with results that all remember.

He, also, had much of his early training in destroyers and is another "small ship" man.

Who commands the British fleet in the Mediterranean? Admiral Cunningham, who won fame by taking the battleship Warspite into the dangerous North Sea with results that all remember.

Admiral Somerville, who also was in command at the recent battle of Sardinia.

Before being brought back off the retired list millions of listeners heard his broadcast commentaries on the wireless.

There is no need to ask whose commands were responsible for the defeat of the battleship Graf Spee by lightly armed cruisers, but where is Admiral Harwood now? He is, happily, a member.

and the youngest one, of the Board of Admiralty.

Who is the naval C-in-C. in China, perhaps one of the most tricky commands afloat? Admiral Layton, a famous submarine officer with a personality and command of language that will make his mark, and make it a good effect, in Far Eastern waters when the need arises.

Last, but very far from least, whose is the directing mind and the managing personality behind the multitudinous work of our submarines, whose losses have been so heavy, whose work has been so counted for the sinking or crippling of so many enemy ships?

Vice-Admiral Sir Max K. Horton, who, with Admiral Rossmore, and a few others, was famous as a submarine officer in the last war. Indeed, it was popularly said of him that the enemy had put a price on his head.

Max K., as he is commonly called, has one of the characteristics of the great Jacky Fisher. Like him, he is ruthless in the assertion of his will and opinion, but unlike him, he has a reputation as a seaman second to none in the Navy.

It is this combination of forcefulness, strategic ability, and brilliance as a practical seaman that has won for him such regard in the Navy, especially among the younger officers and captains, a regard that has nothing to do with "popularity" in the cheaper sense of that term.

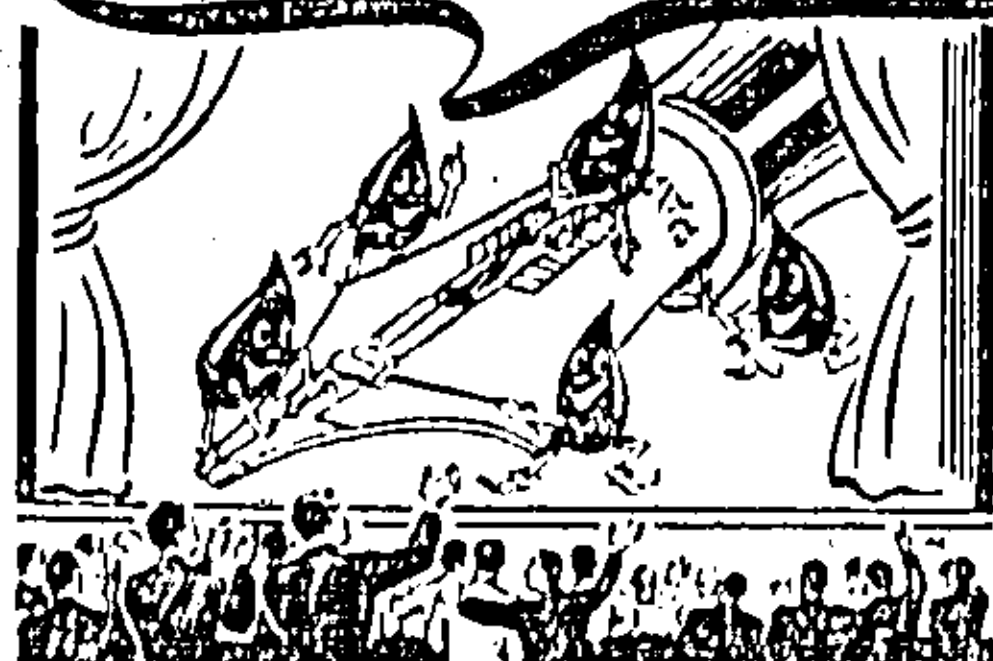
His experience covers all aspects of the naval service, and in submarine warfare his knowledge and judgment are unrivalled.

His name is constantly passing from mouth to mouth in the Navy, so watch Horton, for he is a formidable man.

I have endeavoured to give a glimpse of some of the Admirals in whose hands our fortunes lie at sea.

We have heard too much in the past of "Competent Authorities," "Stuffs," Committees and suchlike. In times of danger it is the individual men, under Providence, that salvation comes.

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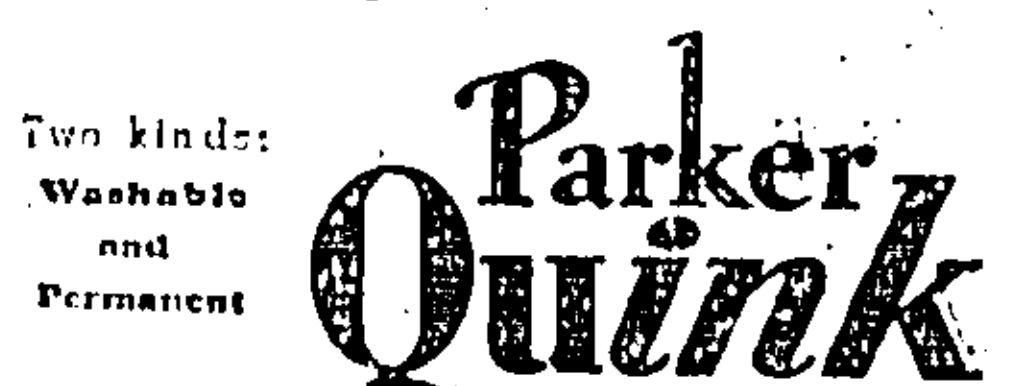
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It would hardly seem necessary to point out to a reasonably intelligent child of ten that American war materials which safely arrive in Britain are what the execution of this policy demands; that such materials retained in the United States may, at all events, be of use for our own defence; but that such materials at the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean are a net loss to both countries. Consequently, and however little we may like the prospect, we must realistically face this question.

What do we propose to do if Germany, with the coming of better weather and the employment of increased numbers of aeroplanes and submarines, succeeds in stepping up the weekly rate of sinkings to the point where our shipments to Britain are not getting through in sufficient volume to achieve our purpose in sending them? Certainly, if such a point is reached Britain's own industrial output will be suffering from lack of raw materials and Britain's population from lack of foodstuffs. What are we going to do then?

Two Things

There are two things we can do to relieve such a situation, or perhaps prevent its arising. We can use our very great influence to convince the Irish government and people that America's vital interests are involved in this struggle, and so gain the use of the Irish bases for combating the German menace to Britain's sea communications. But in order to do this we may have to show that we, too, are willing to take the risks which we ask Irishmen to take and are willing to aid Irishmen in meeting those risks.

In other words, we may be asked whether we are willing to help defend Ireland, and whether we are willing to help convoy the materials we are trying to get through to Britain. These two latter points are tied up together, since in order to convoy through the danger zone we would have to have destroyers, patrol vessels and aircraft based on the far side of the Atlantic, and these bases could hardly be elsewhere than in Ireland, geography being immutable in its realities and not subject to change as a result of wishful thinking.

A somewhat less promising alternative—or perhaps addition to this policy might be the arrangement of a convoy route by way of Iceland, reaching Britain from the north, but the additional mileage of this route would demand an increase of tonnage at a time when every ton of cargo space is becoming increasingly valuable. In any case, it should be quite plain that we may be confronted with a

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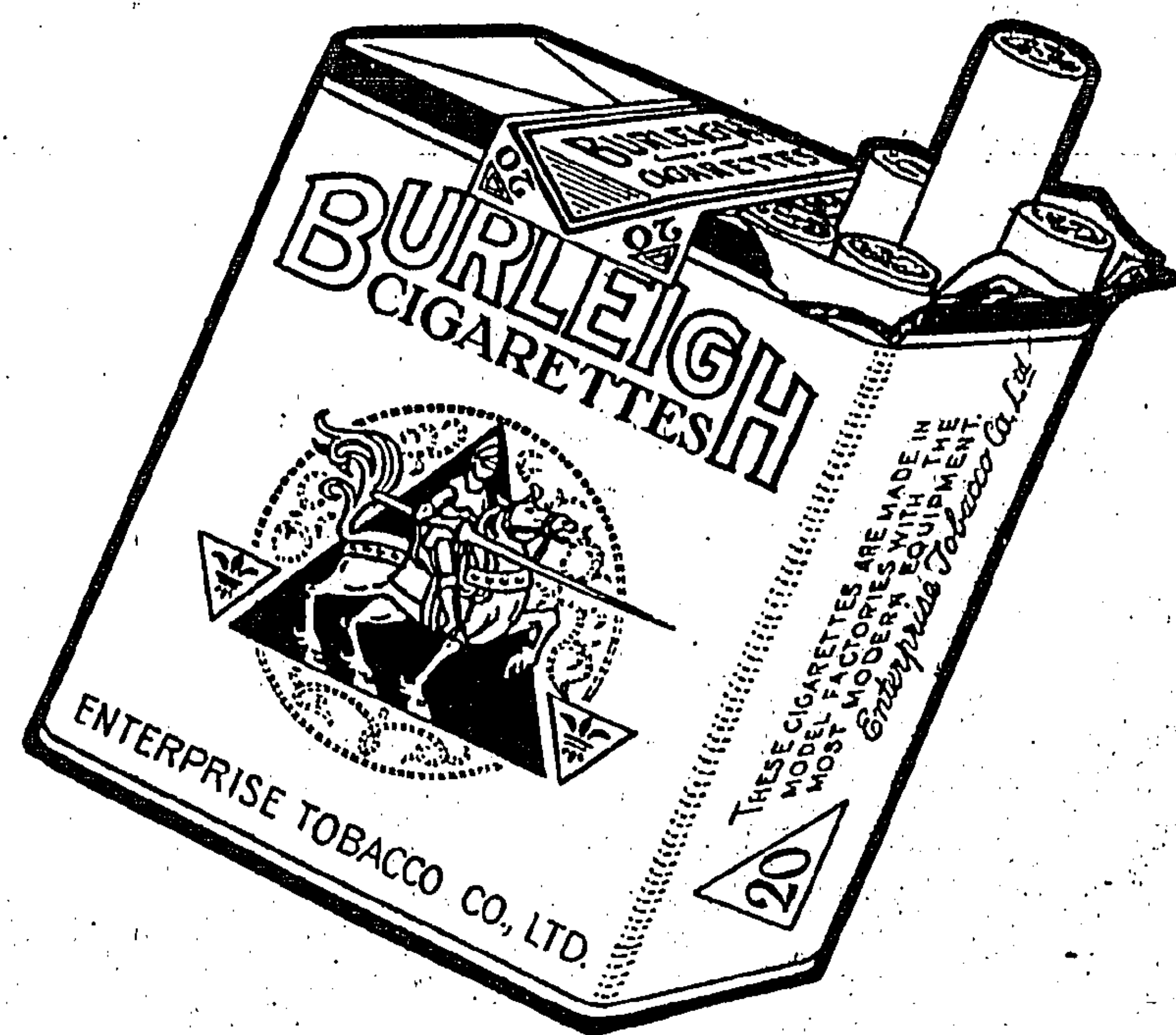
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12.40 p.m.—A Violin Recital by Menuhin.

La Fille Aux Cheveux De Lin (Debussy); Molo Perpetuo (Szymanowski); Zepetendo, Op. 23 (Szymanowski); Nocturne, Op. 28, No. 1 (Szymanowski); Tarn-tella, Op. 28, No. 2 (Szymanowski).

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Piano Duets by Rawlitz and Landauer.

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1.14 p.m.—Light Opera Company. "Miss Hook of Holland"—Vocal Gems (Rubens); "Lilac Time"—Vocal Gems (Schubert, arr. Clusman)... with Orchestral accompaniment.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—A Brahms Programme. Cradle Song... The Angelus Octet.

The May Night... Maria Ol-Pianska (Contralto) with Piano acc.

Symphony No. 3 in F Major, Op. 90—1st Mov: Allegro con brio; 2nd Mov: Andante; 3rd Mov: Poco allegretto; 4th Mov: Finale: Allegro... William Menzies & His Concertgebouw Orchestra.

2.30 p.m.—Close down.

5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—Talk: "Britain Speaks".

7.30 p.m.—Military Band Concert.

1812 Overture (Tchaikowsky) ... The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

Slavonic Dance No. 5 (Dvorak—Williams)... The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.

The Empire Is Marching (Grey-Glass)... The British Grenadiers (Trad)... Dennis Noble and Male Chorus with The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

The King's Lieutenant—Overture (Till-arr. Moore)... The Bickershaw Colliery Band.

Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1 (Elgar)... The Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Relay of a Recital by the Choir and Organ of St. Joseph's Church.

8.45 p.m.—Studio—Book Reviews.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".

9.30 p.m.—Tchaikowsky—Capriccio Italian, Op. 45. Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler.

9.45 p.m.—Compositions of Chopin.

Waltz in A-Flat Major, Op. 42... Moriz Rosenthal (Piano). Les Syphides—Ballet Music... London Philharmonic Orchest. cond. by Walter Goehr.

Nocturne in C Sharp Minor (Posthumous)... Nathan Milstein (Violin) with Piano acc.

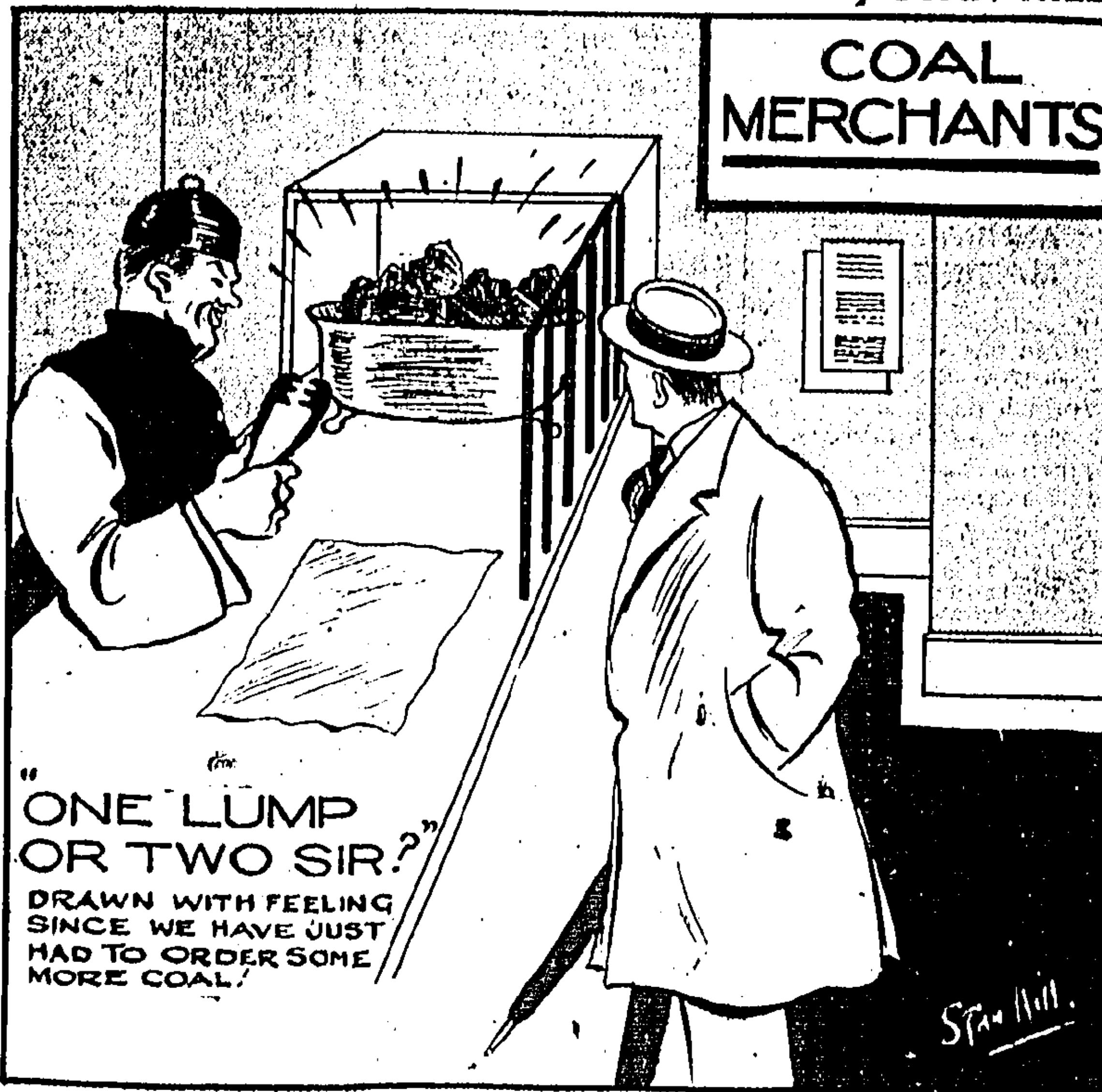
10.05 p.m.—Bach—Brandenburg Concerto No. 1 in F Major (1st & 2nd Movements).

10.15 p.m.—Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue. Conducted by a Priest of the Roman Catholic Church.

10.35 p.m.—Close down.

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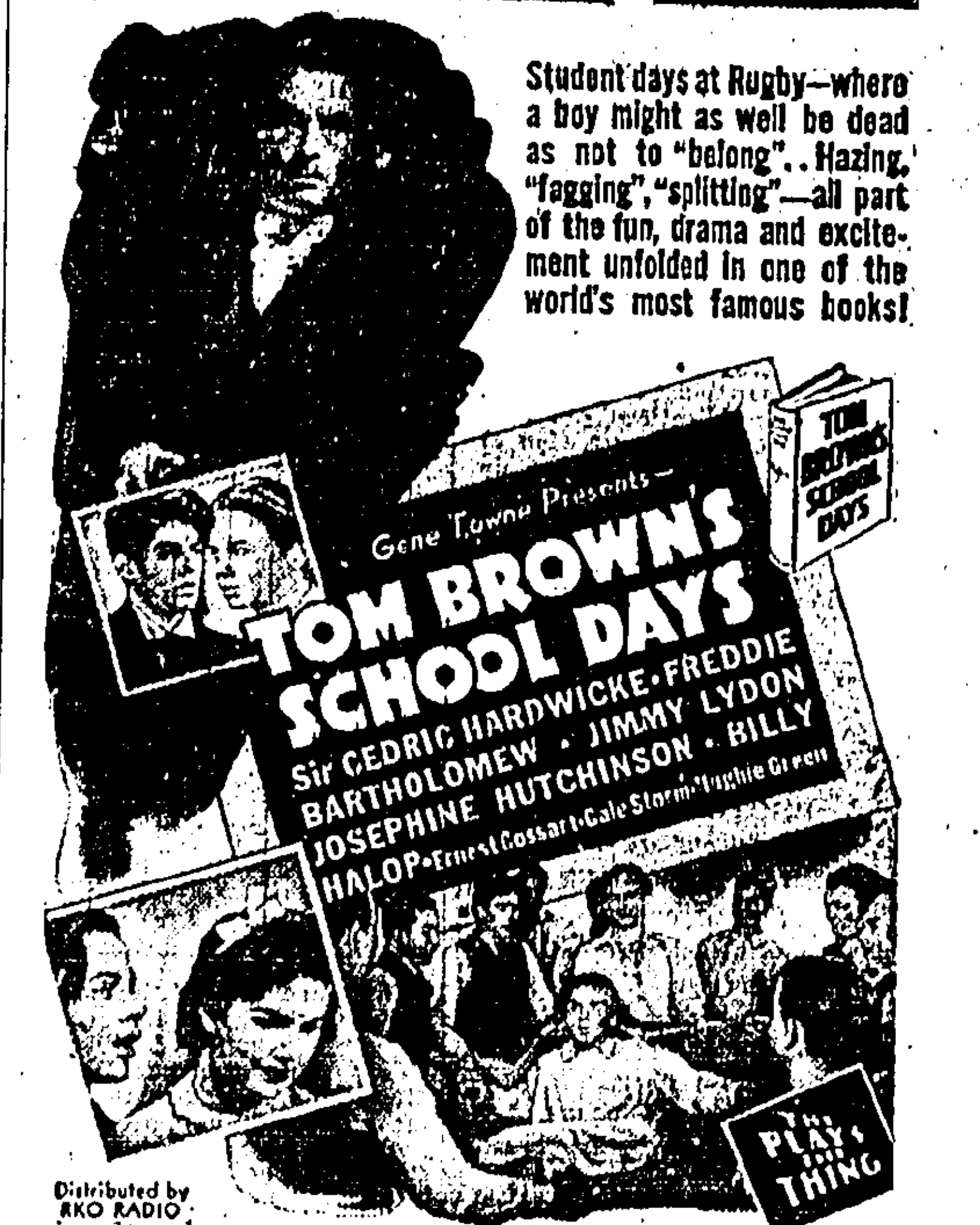
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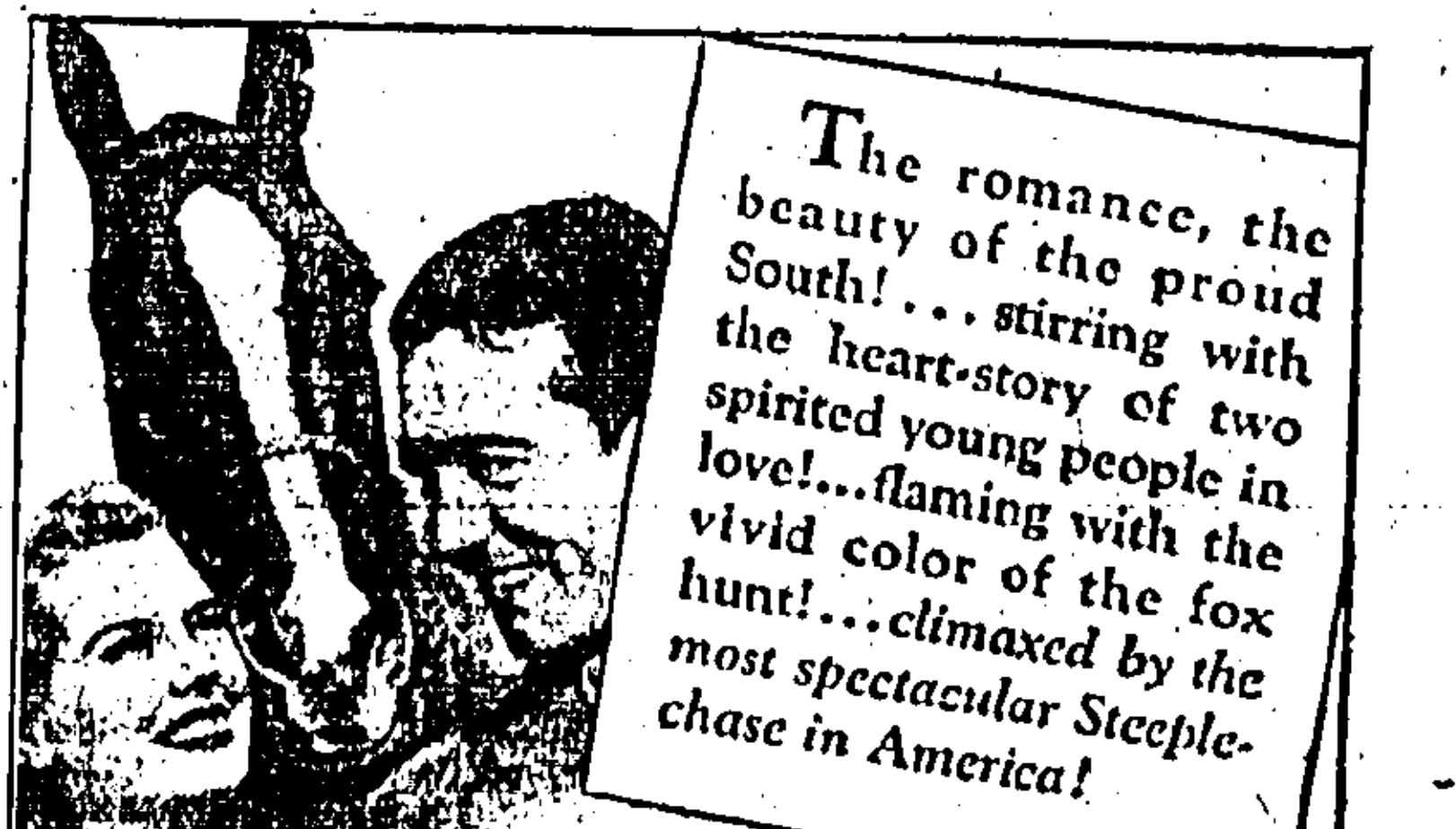
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HONG KONG CHAMPIONS ONLY COASTAL CLASSIC TO ELUDE MR. NEEDA

By "Adrem"

Just over 20 years ago a small band of Shanghai schoolboys were discussing ways and means of spending a Saturday afternoon. None of them were particularly keen on games, although all were great lovers of the open air. Various suggestions were put forward but none were very well received until one bright spirit carried the day with a proposal that the afternoon should be spent in the country.

A passing hackney was hailed and the driver instructed to drive to Kiangwan. Arriving at the Race Course the lads were struck with another bright idea and, after much haggling with the caddy, the horse—a tired, bored-looking animal—was removed from the shafts and each member of the party in turn timidly mounted its bare back and made their first acquaintance of riding.

Thus was Mr. V. V. Needa, who won his fourth Hong Kong Derby on Tuesday on Oolong, introduced to horses.

FROM such unpromising beginnings Mr. Needa worked up a great enthusiasm for riding, and from thence onward he rarely missed an opportunity of taking out a pony, be it a hack or little better.

It was not until 1924, however, that he rode in his first race. He was then living in Tsingtao, a small holiday resort where every body rode. The town was buzzing with excitement as the result of the forthcoming opening of the Tsingtao Race Club.

Young Needa was as excited as anyone else and, having by that time become quite a proficient horseman with a strong competitive spirit, he was determined to get up and down the race track. He was a friend of his to give him a mount at the Race Club's opening meeting.

A big splash was being made of this meeting, and a number of crack Shanghai jockeys had been invited for the occasion. Among these were Capt. M. M. Salkoff, present in Hong Kong, and McLean, who were among the top-flight in Shanghai at that time, and it was not surprising that Mr. Needa, then more hopeful than skilful, and with little success, the Shanghai cracks cleaning up everything.

Mr. Needa, however, did not have to wait long for a win. Having a natural aptitude for horse-racing he rode his first winner a couple of months later, and "felt like a million dollars."

400 WINNERS

HIS second year as a jockey found Mr. Needa "arrived," and he was riding in the top flight in Tsingtao, where he had skilful struggles with Y.S. "Needa" Chung, who later came to Hong Kong. Great rivalry always existed between these two firm friends. Mr. Needa continued riding in Tsingtao for 10 years, during which time he won over 400 races, among them all the big events included on the Tsingtao Race Club programmes.

DERBY SUCCESS

IN 1929 he made the trip to Shanghai and won his first big classic at the first time of asking, piloting Messrs. Law and Hickling's Girl to victory in the Shanghai Derby.

Since then he has had a penchant for Derbies, and he has won probably more of these classics up and down the China Coast—over 20 in number—than any other jockey.

In 1933 he went to live in Shanghai and rode with varying success until he came to Hong Kong for keeps in 1938.

In 1933 he made his first trip to Hong Kong, and history repeated itself inasmuch as he again won a Derby at his first attempt. His mount was Mrs. Pearson's Trebriedge and in the course of the same meeting, riding Mr. A. M. L. Soares's Sadko, he was responsible for inflicting his first defeat on the local crack, Mr. Salkoff.

It is interesting to note that Diana Bay's jockey on that occasion was Billy Hill, who is now down here in the role of spectator. Incidentally, the time returned by Sadko on that occasion established a new record.

Mr. Needa has won important races in Shanghai and Hong Kong with regularity since then and his successes would take a great deal of space to relate. A brief summary of his racing career, however, shows that he won over 400 races in Tsingtao, about 230 in Shanghai and over 80 in Hong Kong, which makes his grand total over 700. One of his ambitions is to emulate the feat of Bob Stewart of Trenton, who, some years before he retired, set a record which to my knowledge has not been equalled in China—that of riding 1,000 winners.

Following is his complete record in Hong Kong:

Year	Win	2nd	3rd	Und.
1933	1	18	10	38
1934	1	1	1	1
1935	1	1	1	1
1936	1	1	1	1
1937	1	1	1	1
1938	1	1	1	1
1939	1	1	1	1
1940	1	1	1	1
1941 (to date)	1	1	1	1
Totals	91	91	72	274

WINNERS AT 17!

ASKED which pony he considered the best he had ever ridden, Mr. Needa said that that was a very difficult question to answer. He remembers well, however, such mounts as Mr. H. N. Ting's Gold Vase, Mr. Sutterley's Castle Hill, and the one he rode in the North, while he retains fond memories of a little pony of only 12.2 hands called Rising Sun on which he won a race in 1924 in Tsingtao.

He returned to Tsingtao in 1930 and, much to his surprise, this pony, then 17 years old, was not only functioning but was given him to ride, which he did with success to add another win to his then impressive list. Mr. Needa rates Rising Sun the "nicest little pony he has ever ridden."

As regards his Hong Kong mounts Mr. Needa said that the improvement in breeding had been so rapid that he had been forced to revise his ideas practically every year. When he rode Trebriedge for his first Derby success he considered it the best pony he had ever sat on in 1933 he rated Honeycomb Eve even better; a year later, after winning the Derby on Happy Eve, he again changed his opinion and decided the latter was the best of the lot, an opinion to which he still holds.

STRIDE TOO LONG

OF Oolong, the pony on which he registered his latest Derby success, he never thought much. "It wastes too much time in the air, its stride is so long."

Another pony which Mr. Needa remembers with affection is Bridge of Tsingtao, on which he won 40 races in Tsingtao. It was subsequently sold to Hong Kong and Mr. Needa rode it to victory in the Grand National at Kwantai. He had then given up steeplechasing and accepted the mount purely out of sentiment.

ELUSIVE CUP

MR. Needa, in the course of his career, has won practically every China pony racing classic up and down the China Coast, although he has yet to win the Hong Kong Champion, but the one race which he really covets is the Shanghai Criticism Stakes and Chinese Cup, which he has never been even near winning.

His most valued trophy is the Coronation Cup, which he won in Shanghai on Mr. C. Arnold's Stop

H.K. Lose Interport Rifle Shooting

FILM TEAM'S BIG WIN

The 20th Century Fox Film touring basketball team were on view last night before a capacity crowd at Chinese Y.M.C.A., Bridge Street, where they overpowered an All-star Hong Kong quintette in a charity match by 72 points.

The entire proceeds, estimated at \$3,000, are to be donated to the Chinese Youth Medical Relief Association and to the British Bomber Fund.

The visitors drew first blood two seconds after the whistle, through O'Garra, who was the main scorer of the team. This player contributed 16 points at the end of the first half and added a further 12 points before full time. The highest scorer in the visiting team was Weidie, who registered 14 points, while Johnson and Woodward each recorded 8 points. The remaining points were shared by Cloyd (6), Perrin (4) and Bell (2).

The Hong Kong Stars registered their points through C. H. Lo (6), C. C. Suk (6), S. K. Chan (6), C. S. Cheng (4) and S. L. Chan, C. S. Lee, F. S. Tai and S. P. Chen, each recording two points.

In the curtain-raiser, a Kwloon girls' team defeated a Hong Kong quintette by 31 points to 14, after leading 18 points to 8 at the end of the first half.

Miss Lin Tak-wah scored 10 points and Miss Ho Tak-fong 14 for the mainland girls, while Miss Ng Sui-sam and Miss Lee Shun-yu contributed 6 and 4 points respectively for the islanders.

Loss. "This trophy is really beautiful and is not likely to be duplicated until we have another Coronation," Mr. Needa remarked.

BEST COURSE

IN Mr. Needa's opinion the finest course in the Far East was the Kiangwan course in Shanghai. It was wide enough to start 40 points and was 1 1/2 miles around. In the club was every amenity for members, including a first-class swimming pool and living accommodation in ideal surroundings. Unfortunately the club was smashed in the 1937 hostilities.

While on the subject of jockeys, Mr. Needa forwarded an interesting viewpoint on racing success. "My opinion," he said, "is that a jockey should take least credit, all he really has to do, when the horse reaches the track, is to pilot it home."

"I rate the horse the most important factor to success; the trainer and feeder second; the manager third, and the jockey last."

AMAZING ESCAPE

IN his long career as a jockey Mr. Needa has had many spills but has never broken a bone. He relates with relish the story of an accident that befell him in Shanghai, when he was lying second in a field of 24 when, coming into the home straight, he came off and over 20 ponies thundered over his prostrate form. Hundreds of spectators rushed towards him expecting to find a mangled corpse, but he "foiled the public" and before a person reached him he was on his feet with not a scratch to show for his terrifying experience—every one of those ponies had avoided stepping on him!

AMUSING EPISODE

ONE of the most amusing racing incidents Mr. Needa recalls, concerns a Chinese jockey named P. L. Jui when riding at the Chinese Jockey Club in Shanghai. Most of the jockeys in one of the races were Chinese and a foreign starter was getting quite hot under the collar in an effort to get them off. "Get back," he was saying, "don't you understand English?" Jui, observing the starter looking at him, dutifully turned about and went back. While he was so doing, the field got away. "What are you doing there?" the starter asked him. "I'm the only jockey who understands English," was the doleful reply.

STEEPLECHASING

MR. Needa has won three Shanghai Grand Nationals, but gave it up after falling at the first jump in a race in which the jumps were so short that he did not think it necessary to wear a crash helmet. "Fortunately for me," he said, "just before the race some kind and honest jockey, named on my head. When I fell I was kicked up on the head and this shook me up that I have never seriously steeplechased again, although a couple of years ago I went out to Kwanton as a spectator, and I was veiled into riding by Miss Fearon, and, after donning jockey's garb over my ordinary shirt, did not do too badly."

HAMMOND GOES TO SHANGHAI

V. M. Hammond, formerly one of the finest jockeys on the China Coast and a crack rifle shot, recently left the Colony for Shanghai.

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Lack Of Practice With Aperture Sights Responsible

UNABLE TO GET IN ANY PRACTICE WITH APERTURE SIGHTS OWING TO LOCAL MILITARY RESTRICTIONS, HONG KONG HAVE LOST POSSESSION OF THE FAR EAST TROPHY FOR RIFLE SHOOTING.

The Far East Trophy contest is an Interport Shoot instituted in 1938 for competition between the Straits Settlements, Federated Malay States, Ceylon and Hong Kong. Teams are composed of 10 British subjects resident in those places.

The shoots are conducted on postal lines and are organised by Hong Kong Rifle Association. Team register cards are returned to the bodies concerned after receipt of their entries, following which the team is allowed to fire, on any date within the calendar year.

Hong Kong fired on December 15 at Talkin range under conditions that were far from favourable. Lack of practice with aperture sights was evident, and the team was able to aggregate only 730 against their winning score last year of 752, whereas Singapore aggregated 762. Lt. A. J. Whitcombe showing extraordinary will to return 100 out of a possible 105.

The only possible at any range was C/Sgt. Hale's 35 at 500 for Hong Kong. In the Open Sight event Hong Kong, who were able to practice frequently, redeemed themselves, although this is only a subsidiary shoot and does not count towards the Interport result, and they won comfortably by 20 points. Special mention must be made of Sgt. T. Baker's total of 92, which, with open sights, is a remarkably fine score.

Following are the detailed results:

FAR EAST TROPHY	
S.R. (In Aperture Sights)	
Result—1st Singapore	762 Points
2nd Hong Kong	730 Points
SINGAPORE (26/1/41)	
200 500 600 Total	yds. yds. yds.
C. A. J. Wilcombe	32 34 24 100
C. M. D. Hopkins	33 33 32 98
F/Sgt. D. Field	33 32 32 97
F/Lt. S. P. Cauton	34 32 29 95
L/Cpl. C. S. Goh	30 32 32 94
L.A.C. E. Lane	31 31 30 92
A.C.M. Child	31 30 30 91
L/Cpl. S. Bickel	31 30 30 91
Total	237 256 249 742
Reserves—1st Singapore	82
2nd Hong Kong	79
HONG KONG (15/12/40)	
200 500 600 Total	yds. yds. yds.
B/M W. Kifford	32 32 32 96
C/Sgt. P. Hale	32 35 27 94

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FOUR SHIELD GAMES THIS AFTERNOON

THE REMAINING GAMES IN THE SECOND ROUND OF THE SHIELD FOOTBALL COMPETITIONS WILL BE PLAYED THIS AFTERNOON, AND THE BETTER OF THE TWO SENIOR GAMES SHOULD BE AT CAUSEWAY BAY, WHERE ST. JOSEPH'S MEET SING TAO.

As Sing Tao have now lost all interest in the League Championship they are concentrating on the Shield and are particularly anxious to win this game as they are leaving for Manila during the week.

In spite of recent setbacks, Sing Tao should be able to account for Saints, though the latter gave a surprisingly good display against South China two weeks ago.

Eastern holders, should enter the Semi-Final Round at the expense of Kwong Wah, but there will not be 10 goals to 2 in it, as was the case in their League meeting last Sunday.

In the Junior Division, 36th Royal Artillery, who eliminated Hong Kong in the previous round, meet Sing Tao, who have several erstwhile First Division players in their team, though they have lost the services of Mak Shul-hon, who has been promoted to the senior team. Luk Tsiang and Fung Kwun-shing will, however, be playing.

PRIZE GIVING POSTPONED

Civil Service Cricket Club's prize presentation, scheduled to take place yesterday at 6.30 p.m., was postponed. The new date of the presentation has not yet been decided, but it is expected to be in a fortnight's time.

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Several postponed games in the Junior Division will be played but, apart from the Kit Chee and Royal Engineers' game, none of the results of the other games have any bearing on the Championship.

TO-DAY'S FOOTBALL

Following is to-day's soccer programme:

SENIOR SHIELD
SECOND ROUND
St. Joseph's v. Sing Tao
(Navy, 4.15 p.m.)
Kwong Wah v. Eastern
(Boundary St., 4.15 p.m.)
JUNIOR SHIELD
SECOND ROUND
Sing Tao "B" v. 36th R.A.
(Club, 4.15 p.m.)
Navy v. International
(Navy, 2.45 p.m.)
SECOND DIVISION
R.A.O.C. v. Kwong Wah
(Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)
Kit Chee v. R.E.
(Caroline Hill, 4.15 p.m.)
THIRD DIVISION
A.S.A. v. A.S.A.
(Chatham Road, 4.15 p.m.)



Hong Kong's representatives in the Far East Trophy Interport Rifle Shooting contest. Left to right standing, D. O. F. Tollison, A.S.P. D. Loh, Sgt. F. E. Russell, Capt. A. J. Le Seclieur, B/M. W. Kifford, Brevet S. I. A. C. Chan, Sgt. C. Perkins, Sgt. K. C. Wong, S/Sgt. Hale and Lieut. G. J. P. Carey.

MACAO HOCKEY TEAM PLAYING TO-DAY

A visiting hockey team from Macao will be in action this afternoon in a friendly game against Club do Recreio.

The visitors who were originally expected to arrive here early this morning, will now disembark from the steamer at noon and thus their match with Nomads Hockey Club, which was scheduled for 10 a.m., has been cancelled.

The Macao team, which will virtually be an Interport combination, last Central British Association last Sunday in the Portuguese colony by 3 goals to 1.

The match will be played on the Club ground, King's Park, commencing at 3.30 p.m., and the following are the teams:

RECREIO—J. Goncalves and E. L. Gananjo; R. A. Marinho, J. A. Soares, J. N. Gananjo, D. G. Gananjo, F. A. Sequeira and J. Fonseca. MACAO—Almado, Jasto, Santos, Ferreira, Trigo Silva, Alvaro, R. Angelo, F. Nolasco, G. Silva, P. Angelo, Albert Alonzo and F. Rosario.

INDIAN BOYS TO PLAY HOCKEY

It is understood that hockey is to be taken up seriously by boys at Ellis Kidoorie Indian School. For some years now the boys have only had the opportunity to play cricket but, due to the popularity of hockey amongst the majority of the lads, this game will come in for its fair share of attention as from next winter, the present season being too far advanced for the game to be taken up seriously.

WEEK'S BADMINTON FIXTURES

Following are this week's Badminton League fixtures:

"A" DIVISION
To-morrow
University "B" v. University "A"
Recreio v. Chinese "Y"
Wednesday
Chung Wah v. J. R. C.
V. R. C. v. Recreio
St. John's v. Kowloon Tong
K. C. C. v. St. Andrew's

C.B.A. TEAM

Central British Association will be represented in their Hong Kong Hockey Association tournament match to-day by: Lockhart, Bond and D. Taylor; Pullen, Ure and Dunne; Smith, T. Whitley, E. Fowler, F. Fowler and Kennard.

NOMADS' ELEVEN

Following will represent Nomads in their Association Tournament hockey match to-day:—F. Soarer, R. Xavier and H. Soarer; A. N. Xavier, R. J. Reed and H. G. Gubbay; F. Reed, B. Xavier, S. Reed, E. Rull and B. Mendonca.

Congratulations to E. (Peter) Farrell, who plays cricket for Craigengower Cricket Club Juniors, on his marriage to Miss Doris Chen on Friday. The reception, which was held at the Hotel, was attended by a large number of sportsmen.

PARSONS NOT AVAILABLE

Parsons, who will be playing golf, will not be able to turn out for Central British Association in their Tournament match to-day.

H.K. LADIES SHARE 10 GOALS

In a friendly hockey match at Sookunpoo yesterday, Hong Kong Ladies drew with Royal Engineers, sharing 10 goals after being 4-3 down at the interval.

Only nine ladies turned out and Sgt. Homburg, of Sappers, played in the ladies' team, and R.E. fielded nine players.

Miss M. Booker was in good form, scoring twice for her side, while Miss B. Longbottom, who netted once, played a sound game at inside-left. Miss E. M. Gray and Miss Bluck were two steady defenders, and Homburg scored the other two goals for the ladies. 2 scored for Sappers.

H.K. LADIES—Miss Daskett; Miss E. M. Gray and Miss Bluck; Mrs. Dalziel; Miss R. Smith and Miss M. Booker; Miss B. Longbottom; Miss B. Longbottom; Miss J. Booker and Homburg.

ENGINEERS—Flashlock; Singleton and Clemo; Cook, Halliday and Martin; Denyer, Bowling and Saxby.

Y.M.C.A. GAMES

At King's Park, Y.M.C.A. seniors were beaten by Nomads by 3 goals to 1 in a friendly match, after being 1-0 down at the interval. Hiltchcock scored the goal for "Y," and S. A. Reed and R. J. Reed (2) netted for the winners.

Khalsa Hockey Club defeated Y.M.C.A. juniors by 4 goals to 2 in a friendly match at King's Park, after leading at the interval by the odd goal in three. G. Singh (3) and N. Singh scored for the Indians, while Olson netted both goals for "Y."

FOUR TOURNAMENT MATCHES

Following are to-day's Hockey Association Tournament fixtures:

5th A.A. "A" v. Khalsa (Lyemun, 10.00 a.m.)
Umpires—V. M. Denwell and D. Smith.
(Navy, 10.30 a.m.)
Umpires—J. Goncalves and G. Singh.
C.B.A. v. 5th A.A. "B"
(C.B.A., 4.00 p.m.)
Umpires—Tyas and Tomlinson.
Nomads v. Engineers
(Recreio, 4.00 p.m.)
Umpires—L. Coumbe and Deven.

TO-DAY'S SEMI-FINAL

A semi-final match in the Small Units Hockey Knock-out competition will be played to-day on the Sookunpoo ground, starting at 2.30 p.m. when 36th Heavy Battery, R.A., meet H.Q. Company, Middlesex Regiment.

PARSONS NOT AVAILABLE

Parsons, who will be playing golf, will not be able to turn out for Central British Association in their Tournament match to-day.



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K.C.C. ALMOST ASSURED OF LEAGUE CRICKET TITLE

Only One More Game, Against C.S.C.C.

Unexpectedly Easy Win Over Club de Recreio

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB, HOLDERS OF THE SENIOR CRICKET LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP, ARE VIRTUALLY CERTAIN OF RETAINING THEIR TITLE AS THE RESULT OF AN UNEXPECTEDLY EASY VICTORY OVER CLUB DE RECREIO AT COX'S ROAD YESTERDAY.

The weather was probably responsible for the very poor standard of bowling and fielding, a brisk wind blowing sharply across the ground and removing the balls with regularity.

K.C.C., with only one more match to play, against C.S.C.C., have dropped only two points and although both University and Craigengower can finish up ahead of them if they lose this last match and those clubs win all their remaining fixtures, such an eventuality appears to be extremely remote.

Steady bowling, coupled with aggressive batting by Hong, Anderson and Lay, gave Kowloon Cricket Club a 5 wickets win over Club de Recreio in First Division of the Cricket League yesterday. The wicket and outfield at K.C.C. was soft, the ball came through quite quickly on occasion, and following the usual K.C.C. League policy, sent the opposition in first. Runs came slowly, and although L. G. Gosano was snappy with the bat, the opposition was not able to score more than 17 runs, and the K.C.C. bowlers were very successful in taking 12 wickets.

Anderson and Lay carried on the good work against bowling much below the usual K.C.C. standard, and fielding that was much less sure than usual, and the runs were hit off with about 20 minutes to spare.

E. L. Gosano was suffering from an injured hand which handicapped him both when bowling and fielding, and the other K.C.C. bowlers were very mediocre, with the exception of Silva, who struck a good length after a shaky first over.

CLUB DE RECREIO
L. G. Gosano, c Broadbridge, b Lloyd, not out 3
J. M. Gosano, not out 75
G. N. Gosano, c Anderson, b Zimmern 12
E. M. L. Soares, c E. F. Fincher, b Zimmern 0
P. M. N. da Silva, c Broadbridge, b Zimmern 0
A. M. Prata, b Lloyd 0
E. L. Gosano, c Mackay, b Zimmern 7
A. M. Rodrigues, st. A. Zimmern, b Lloyd 1
J. L. Zimmern, c Zimmern, b W. A. Reed, lbw. b Lloyd 1
N. Deltrao, not out 0
Extras (B1, LB2) 3
Total (for 9 wickets, dec.) 128
Bowling Analysis
O. M. R. W.
Lee 5 0 21 0
Lloyd 16 0 54 5
F. R. Zimmern 12 0 50 4
KOWLOON C.C.
D. Hong, c Prata, b Silva 34
R. T. Broadbridge, c G. N. Gosano, b Ozorio 6

TO-DAY'S CRICKET
Club de Recreio will to-day entertain Volunteers in a cricket match at King's Park, starting at 11 a.m.
Royal Engineers will entertain Civil Service Cricket Club in a friendly match to-day, commencing at 11 a.m. at Soekunpoo.
D. McCallan, Civil Service Cricket Club, and "X" and Club hockey players, leaving the Colony on leave very shortly.

LEAGUE CRICKET TABLES TO DATE

FIRST DIVISION	P.	W.	D.	Pts.
K.C.C.	3	1	0	6
University	3	1	0	3
C.S.C.C.	3	1	0	3
Recreio	3	0	1	2
C.S.C.C.	2	0	1	1
I.R.C.	2	0	1	1
SECOND DIVISION	P.	W.	D.	Pts.
K.C.C.	4	3	0	10
C.S.C.C.	4	3	0	10
Recreio	4	3	0	10
I.R.C.	4	2	0	8
University	5	0	2	3
C.S.C.C.	3	0	2	3
Police	4	0	4	0

T. Lock, b G. Gill 10	10
A. M. Omar, b G. Gill 10	10
W. K. Way, not out 11	11
Extras (B1, LB2, WB5) 11	11
Total (for 6 wickets, dec.) 92	92
Bowling Analysis	
O. M. R. W.	
Amplavener 0 3 23 3	
Soares 4 0 20 0	
Mazura 5 2 13 0	
R. S. Gill 4 2 9 2	
Chelliah 4 0 14 0	

POLICE AGAIN COLLAPSE

POLICE RECREATION CLUB WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR BEST PERFORMANCE OF THE LEAGUE SEASON TO DATE, WHEN AT SOOKUNPOO YESTERDAY THEY HELD INDIAN RECREATION CLUB TO A MARGIN OF ONLY THREE RUNS, THE POLICE TAIL-END BATSMEN COLLAPSING BADLY.

Police lost Carey, their mainstay hitherto, with only 27 runs on the board, but Tyler and Clark then added 41 for the second wicket. At the fall of the fifth wicket the Police total was 122, and they appeared certain to win, but the remaining five wickets added only 14 runs—three short of their opponents' total.

Abbas took two wickets in his last two overs for five runs and finished up with 6 for 43.
I.R.C. 2ND XI
H. T. Barna, b Carey 16
A. H. Ismail, c Clarke, b White 8
M. I. Hazack, c White, b Danbrowsky 25
A. R. Sultani, run out 25
M. R. Abbas, c Tyler, b Danbrowsky 6
A. M. Rumjahn, c Estall, b Carey 1
A. el Arculli, run out 1
T. Ali, not out 31
F. A. Curran, c White, b Danbrowsky 11
M. B. Hassan, c Clarke, b Danbrowsky 9
Extras (B7, LB2) 9
Total (for 9 wickets, dec.) 130
Bowling Analysis
O. M. R. W.
Carey 15 1 40 3
White 8 2 29 1
Danbrowsky 10 2 47 4
Matches 2 1 14 0

POLICE R.C.
A. E. Carey, c and b Arculli 8
W. L. Clarke, c Rumjahn, b Abbas 39
H. Tyler, st. Ismail, b Abbas 41
A. V. White, c and b Abbas 4
J. Shepherd, b Rumjahn 23
(Continued at Foot of next Col.)

FRIENDLIES

NORONHA 62

In a friendly match at Chater Road, Recreio 2nd XI drew with a Hong Kong Cricket Club "A" team. Noronha hit seven fours in his 62.

H.K.C.C. "A"	
Parsons, c Barros, b L. J. Remedios	4
Booker, l.b.w., b E. A. Alves	1
F. Carey, c Barros, b J. A. Soares	29
Mackenzie, run out	19
W. Paterson, c Alves, b Prata	37
Robb, c Alves, b J. A. Soares	0
Hiley, run out	23
Owen-Hughes, l.b.w.	4
Finnie, not out	7
Extras (B2, LB5)	127

Alves 0 30 1	
L. J. Remedios 0 1 22 1	
Soares 4 0 35 2	
M. A. Remedios 7 2 32 0	
Prata 1 3 0 1	
Recreio 2nd XI	
A. E. Noronha, c Carey, b Stokes 62	62
A. H. Remedios, b Finnie 5	5
A. J. M. Prata, lbw. b Finnie 5	5
H. A. Barros, b Stokes 19	19
M. A. Remedios, b Owen-Hughes 11	11
J. A. Soares, not out 7	7
E. A. R. Alves, c Stokes, b Owen-Hughes 4	4
Extras (B5) 5	5

Total (for 6 wickets, dec.) 118	118
Bowling Analysis	
O. M. R. W.	
Isley 3 0 6 0	
Padney 8 0 32 0	
Robb 3 0 10 0	
Owen-Hughes 8 0 26 2	
Finnie 4 0 10 2	
Stokes 6 0 20 2	

Macaulay 91

Diocesan Boys' School, playing at home, were unfortunate not to beat Civil Service 2nd XI in a friendly match. When stumps were drawn the School were only four runs in arrears with three wickets in hand. Colledge and Ainslie added 50 for the second C.S.C.C. wicket and McGowan later hit a useful 46 not out, being at the wicket while 60 runs were added, that lasted 50 minutes. Macaulay carried his bat through the School innings, and hit 12 fours in his 91, scored out of 147 in 80 minutes.

Barrows, c Tyson, b Davidson, lbw., b Whitfield	
F. MacGowan, not out	
L. Smith, c Jernakoff, b Whitfield	
Parrot, b Whitfield	
Lockhart, b Hulse	
Maynard, not out	
Extras (B7, LB1)	
Totals. (for 6 wickets)	
D. Crawley did not bat	
Bowling Analysis	
Hulse	13
Parrot	7
MacGowan	5

Total (for 6 wickets, dec.) 151	151
Bowling Analysis	
O. M. R. W.	
Hulse 13 0 45 3	
Ebrahim 7 0 34 3	
J. Macaulay 5 0 10 1	
Whitfield 5 0 10 1	
D.B.S.	
J. Macaulay, not out 61	61
C. Whitfield, c Crawley, b Ainslie 4	4
A. J. Hulse, c Lockhart, b Ainslie 19	19
G. A. Goodban, c Crawley, b Smith 15	15
L. Hurnakoff, b MacGowan 0	0
L. Lyon, b MacGowan 0	0
A. Ebrahim, at Lockhart, b MacGowan 7	7
MacGowan, run out 0	0
Extras (B4, LB3) 7	7

Total (for 7 wickets, dec.) 147	147
Bowling Analysis	
O. M. R. W.	
Ainslie 5 0 27 2	
Colledge 2 0 22 0	
MacGowan 0 0 30 1	
Smith 0 0 30 1	

MR. WOO RIDING TO-MORROW

Followers of racing will be interested to learn that Mr. D. G. Woo, who was removed to the French Hospital on Monday after he came down with Jungle Fever in the Coral Handicap, has sufficiently recovered from his accident to be able to ride again at the Races to-morrow.

H. Danbrowsky, c Wahab, b Rumjahn 11	11
J. Hayward, b Abbas 4	4
H. Matthes, c and b Rumjahn 0	0
A. Estall, c Barnes, b Abbas 0	0
H. Baldwin, b Abbas 0	0
A. Billingham, not out 7	7
Extras (B6, W1) 130	130
Bowling Analysis	
O. M. R. W.	
Arculli 17 1 28 1	
Rumjahn 9 2 40 3	
Abbas 11 0 49 6	
Hassan 2 0 13 0	

RAPIER'S TIPS FOR TO-MORROW

RACE NO. 1

KING'S FLIGHT
BUGLE
CORSAIR
Outsider:—Lex Forl.

RACE NO. 2
CHARLESBER
WORLD FAIR VIEW
WONDERFUL SCHEME
Outsider:—Eve of Deception.

RACE NO. 3
DISTANT VIEW
VIS MAJOR
CYBERRA
Outsider:—Hascoray.

RACE NO. 4
CONFUSION BAY
EVE OF HARVEST
SPICYLIGHT
Outsider:—White Diamond.

RACE NO. 5
VENUS BAY
CHIEF STAR
CATERICK BRIDGE
Outsider:—Centre Court.

RACE NO. 6
HAPPY RETURNS
SYNDICATE
TWINKLING STAR
Outsider:—Saratoga.

RACE NO. 7
EVE OF PEACE
SYLVANDALE
ROYAL WEDDING EVE
Outsider:—Scenic View.

RACE NO. 8
UNITED EXPRESS
MANIATTAN
INDEAVOUR
Outsider:—Vitamin M.

RACE NO. 9
FAIR VIEW
LANCASHIRE CHIPS
VICEROY
Outsider:—Australian Diamond.

RACE NO. 10
ORACLE
FLEETING
RIVER VIEW
Outsider:—Nordine Poenae.

RACE NO. 11
OOLONG
VELVETLIGHT
PALMER
Outsider:—Iron Beauty.

RACE NO. 12
SURPRISING TIME
FRESH AIR
NEWBORN STAR
Outsider:—Strathbyn.

RACE NO. 13
DAILY DOUBLE:—EVE OF PEACE AND FAIR VIEW.

Racing Decision Wise One

The announcement, over the radio on Friday night that the Third Day of the Annual Race Meeting had been postponed came as a disappointment to racing fans of the Colony, but in view of the fact that the track had been so badly dug up during the First and Second days, it must be regarded as a step in the right direction.

In making this decision, the Stewards evidently had in mind the fact that further rough usage of the track might have meant damage to it to such an extent that racing during the rest of the first half of the season might have been seriously jeopardized.

If all the grass on the track had been torn up during this past week, racing later in the season might have to be suspended, for racing on a hard sand track would not only be dangerous for the jockeys but would also injure the ponies.

Racing enthusiasts should therefore feel grateful that their favourite sport for the next few months is guaranteed, the premium being just a delay of a few days.

NEARING MILLION

Enquiries from Hong Kong Jockey Club yesterday revealed that the sale of tickets on the Rooty-Hill Derby is approaching the million mark. Although the Des Voeux Road branch office will be closed to-day, tickets will be sold up to noon to-morrow at the Race Course.

MR. WEI NOT RIDING

It was learned from a reliable source last evening that Mr. P. Y. T. Wei, who was thrown when his pony, Fair Chance, was brought down in the Wakool Handicap on Tuesday, will not be fit enough to ride at the Races to-morrow.

As a result, it is understood that Mr. C. B. Moller will be taking out Endeavour in the Rooty-Hill Derby.

Showing with "Tom Brown's Schooldays" from to-day at the Queen's Theatre is an exceptionally fine tennis subject, entitled "Court Craft."

SERVICES HELD TO 3-3 DRAW BY CLUB AND POLICE XV

By "Scrum-Half"

CONSIDERING THERE WAS LITTLE AT STAKE AND THAT MANY OF THE LEADING PLAYERS WERE EXPECTED TO TAKE THINGS EASY IN VIEW OF THE SEVEN-A-SIDE TOURNAMENT, YESTERDAY'S RUGBY MATCH ON THE CLUB GROUND PROVIDED A DOUR IF ROUGH STRUGGLE FOR SUPREMACY AND THE FINAL WHISTLE CAME WITH SIX POINTS SHARED, BOTH SIDES SCORING AN UNCONVERTED TRY.

Services deserved to win as they held a definite territorial advantage, but Club and Police finished the more strongly and after securing their equalizing try in the last 10 minutes they very nearly scored again.

Players who were outstanding were Fairclough, Services' full-back, whose kicking was magnificent, King, who has seldom played better, Stewart, who was much more energetic than he has been this year, Thomson, who led the speedy Services' wing forwards a merry dance, and Walkden, who gave a rousing display in the loose.

Paul, rather foolishly I thought, turned out to give his injured knee its final test before the Services and, as luck would have it, had to mark Stewart on one of the latter's long drives, but appeared to be none the worse for a grueling afternoon.

Takes Chance
Hoywill was superb in defence and, though closely marked by Carruthers, was always dangerous in attack. Richards had one chance and he took it, a score Services' only points. Bowen and Carter did on the other wing, but they did not see the ball as often as they should have done—the Services' pack was the heavier one and yet Castleton had the better of Watson, Sutherland and Pinkerton and Peels were always prominent in the loose, but King was undoubtedly the outstanding forward on this field.

Thompson was safe at full-back, though his touch-kicking did not gain as much ground as it might have done. The wingers had little to do as the result of the close marking of the Services' centres. Stewart worried fearlessly and did the work of two men in defence, while Carruthers was always deadly in his tackling. Aikenhead was apt to get flurried at fly-half, and his kicking was consequently not always well-judged. He was given an excellent service by Thomson, despite the constant attentions of Pinkerton and Peels. Thomson also did great work in the loose. At forward, Walkden stood up while Godfrey after an indifferent start, played well in the closing stages.

Not Marking Out
Miller had a chance to open Services' account with a penalty kick, but it went so wide as to be a cross-kick, much to the astonishment of his own side, who were not marking out. After Rutherford had nearly broken through Hoywill made a characteristic run to send Richards over in the corner after Bosanquet had cut across in a gallant but unavailing effort to stop him. Miller failed to convert and Services led 3-0 at half time. Late in the second half Godfrey picked up in the loose and handed himself over after a corkscrew run, Aikenhead had a great chance to give Club and Police the lead with a kick from close in but his effort was just wide. In the closing minutes Stewart was almost over, being pulled down only a yard from the line.

COMBINED SERVICES—Fairclough (Army), Bowden (Navy), Paul (Navy), Carter (Navy) and Richards (Army); Sutherland (Army), Watson (Navy), Peels (Navy), Pinkerton (Army), Berry (Army) and Peels (Navy).
CLUB & POLICE—Thompson, Bosanquet, Stewart, Carruthers and Van der Weyden; Aikenhead and Thomson; Cullinan (Police), Castleton, Walkden; Hackett, Kennedy, Godfrey, Taylor and Wright-Nooth (Police).

A goal, logged by one of the Club members, had two money boxes on its back and without any undue worry collected quite a tidy sum for the Bomber Fund.

The Finals in the Seven-A-Side Rugby Tournament will be held on the Club ground on Saturday. A series of proceeds are in aid of the Bomber Fund.

Royal Scots are expected to play their seven matches on Saturday, when a series of games are likely to be played.

Lieut. Ford, Army Rugby hooker, has left the Colony.

POSSIBLE TENNIS CHALLENGE

Lee Pock Yue, who was one of the leading tennis players at the Hong Kong Tennis Club, is at present on a visit to the Colony. He may stay here long enough to take part in the Colony Championships, run by Hong Kong Cricket Club, next month.

FREAK SCORE IN "A" GAME

By "Scrum-Half"

Have you ever seen a "marked" goal?

Well, I have! It happened yesterday in the "A" Rugby match on the Club ground. Alec Pearce, the cricketer, "marked" a wild punt ahead. Li-Comard, Harrison, allowed it and dug his heel into the ground to mark the spot. Pearce thereupon placed the ball into the heel mark and proceeded to kick a goal from 40 yards without the Club and Police players dreaming of changing him until it was too late.

In this game Services "A", after being 6-0 down and then being 6-1 at the interval, beat Club and Police "A" by 15-6.

The play was very scrappy—Morgan was wasted at scrum-half for the losers and Donger, a tall forward, played scrum-half for Services in the first half and at fly-half in the second.

Only players to impress were Thomas (I meant Thomas and not Davis when suggesting an improvement to the Club "A" seven on Thursday), Hearnham, Pearce, whose kicking in defence was excellent and who went very close with all his attempts at goal, and Easterbrook, who was always cast at full-back and who kicked a perfect length.

Two unconverted tries by Lavalle gave Club and Police a 6-0 lead. The first was as a result of a good cut through by Devon (a borrowed Army player) though Jackson's final pass was forward, and the second followed a punt ahead by Thomson, who retrieved the ball and gave Lavalle an easy score. Pearce then kicked a penalty goal from 35 yards and, after Digdale had left the field as the result of a twisted knee, Macdonald scored an unconverted try to level the scores. Pearce's attempt at goal from the touch line hitting the cross-bar. In the second half Services went ahead through tries by Macdonald and Stockham and Pearce completed the scoring with a most unusual "marked" goal.

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KEREN NOW FACING TRIPLE THREAT

Italian Rear Threatened By British Thrust From Coast
Situation Developing FavourablyBRITISH OPERATIONS TO REDUCE
KEREN, THE MAIN ITALIAN STRONGHOLD IN
ERITREA, HAVE NOW DEVELOPED INTO A
THREE-PRONGED OFFENSIVE, TWO OF
WHICH ARE THREATENING THE REAR OF
THE ITALIAN DEFENCE POSITIONS.The most immediate menace comes from
the British mechanised force which has been
advancing swiftly down the coast from the
north and is now driving inland to cut the rail-
way between Keren and Asmara.The Indian and Imperial forces
which captured Eritrea have now
advanced 200 miles to the east and
constitute a threat to Keren's de-
fenders from the south.The nibbling tactics of the In-
dian and Imperial troops attack-
ing the heights of Keren along
the railway from Agordat are pro-
ceeding satisfactorily and intensi-
fication of activity in the near
future seems to be indicated.Opinion in competent quarters
is that should Keren fall, Italian
resistance throughout Eritrea is
likely to collapse.

600 Prisoners

King's African Rifles, in shows
(small Arab boats) have occupied
two islands south of Kismayu, it
was announced yesterday.Operations continue to develop
to the British advantage in Eritrea
and Abyssinia, says a Cairo com-
munique.Operations east of the Juba
River are progressing satisfactorily.With the capitulation of the
Italian garrison at Rega, South
African troops captured over
600 prisoners, mostly Europeans,
with some guns and war ma-
terial.Regarding Libya the commu-
nique says there is nothing impor-
tant to report.

Jumbo Captured

In Italian Somaliland, the port
of Jumbo, at the mouth of the
Juba River, has fallen to the
South African forces.The official communique an-
nouncing this in Nairobi, says that
a considerable quantity of guns
and material were captured. A
brigade staff and one full Colonel,
together with a number of European
and native prisoners were also
captured.

Italian Communique

Italian official references to the
operations in Eritrea say that
all Italian troops are concentrated
in the Keren sector. In the Sudan,
says the communique, enemy col-
umnists which attempted to approach
the Italian lines were promptly
attacked and forced to retire with
heavy losses.An Italian High Command com-
munique issued yesterday states
that enemy pressure continues on
the lower Juba River area in In-
dian Somaliland.Battering At Line
Of The Juba(From Reuter's Special Corres-
pondent with the East African
Forces)South African, East African and
West African troops are now bat-
tling at the Italians' strongest
natural defensive barrier in In-
dian Somaliland—the line of the
Juba River.If this line is forced the enemy
will be in desperate straits as
he will not have another line to
fall back upon except Moga-
discu, capital of the colony,
and will be compelled to sur-
render or retreat nearly 200
miles across country where
water is scarce.South African troops crossed the
river on Thursday a couple of
miles south of the Equator, es-
tablished a bridgehead and flung
back an Italian counter-attack
with severe losses by fire from
armoured cars.

R.A.F. Activity

An official communique from
H.Q. East African Air Force
states: "There has also been much
offensive reconnaissance in the
Mega (Abyssinia) area and the
Gellib and Jumbo and Yonta areas
in Italian Somaliland.""Italian troops travelling in two
lorries near Boda, north of the
Juba, indicated to our aircraft
they desired to surrender."—British
Wireless.British air raids on Massawa
(Eritrea), Djibouti (Abyssinia)
caused no serious damage, says
the Italian communique.—Reuter.
Intensive operations by the
South African Air Force in In-
dian Somaliland and Abyssinia
continue unabated, stated an offi-
cial communique issued in Nairobi
yesterday.Italian troop concentrations
along the east bank of the Juba
River were heavily attacked from
the air.—Reuter.GALLANT
AIR
GUNNERSpirited actions of
R.A.F. squadrons over Al-
bania are epitomised in
the story of the gallantry
of a sergeant air gunner
described by the Air Min-
istry news service.As a small formation of R.A.F.
bombers was approaching its ob-
jective in Albania recently it was
suddenly attacked by a host of
Italian fighters.In one bomber the sergeant
air gunner had his knuckles
smashed by an Italian bullet. A
second later another bullet ear-
ed his arm and a third struck
him in the stomach.
He jammed his shattered hand
into the trigger guard on the gun
and continued to spray the enemy
with bullets after which the at-
tacker broke off the action.The inter-communication
telephone had been shot away
and the sergeant crawled pain-
fully through the fuselage to
report to the pilot and then
went back to his gun.The aircraft flew to its target,
dived and dropped its bombs and
returned safely with the gunner
still at his post.
The sergeant was later delig-
ated to hear his trigger finger would
heal enough to let him "have
another go" at the enemy.—British
Wireless.WAR OF NERVES IN
BALKANS(Continued from Page 1)
also report a "brutal battle of
the Balkan countries."
Object is to break down resis-
tance by a display of force and
to achieve Germany's aims with-
out recourse to armed strength.

Two-Front War

That Germany is still frighten-
ed of a war on two fronts was
indicated yesterday in comment
by the German news service,
which said the war must be de-
cided in the West—that is, in Brit-
tain.The Nazi commentary recalls
that in the last war Ludendorff
used up his reserves in widely
separated theatres of war and
so was not able to force a de-
cision in the West.
"Germany will not do this again.
We will find a solution of the
Mediterranean problem and will
launch a direct attack against
Britain."DRAMATIC CLASH
IN DESERTWITH GAZELLE and buzzard as their daily
fare, often short of water during a long absence from
base, often penetrating hundreds of miles behind
the enemy lines, sometimes surrounded by the
enemy and forced to fight a way out, R.A.F. armoured
car units in the Middle East Command have a job
no less dramatic—though less generally known—
than actual flying personnel.Working as a rule in groups of
three they seldom use roads or
tracks. Their battlefield is the
unfettered wilderness. Typical of
their adventures is one described
yesterday by the Air Ministry
news service.Recently an armoured car had
mechanical trouble when more
than 100 miles from the nearest
British unit.The water supply was low and
had been rationed to one cupful
a day for each man. They could
have lasted only four days.
The enemy was near at hand
and, any moment, might have
learnt of their whereabouts.At the risk of disclosing their
presence they lit a fire, and
eventually the column of smoke
was seen by an R.A.F. recon-
naissance aircraft which made
a landing.

Miniature Battle

A party of Italians on patrol
saw what had happened and sur-
rounded both the aircraft and the
armoured car. A miniature battle
ensued in which not only was the
enemy put to flight but prisoners
actually taken.The aircraft had been dam-
aged by machine-gun fire and the
situation was desperate be-
cause the Italians who had es-
caped were sure to return with
reinforcements.
Capture seemed inevitable. The
pilot and car crew worked fever-
ishly on the aircraft and in one
hour it was able to take the air.
Help was brought and the posi-
tion saved.—British Wireless.BURMA ROAD
BOMBING
RENEWEDAfter an eight-day
lull, 36 Japanese
planes again invaded
Yunnan in two waves,
bombing the Burma
Road and the south-
western outskirts of
Kunming.One Japanese plane
is reported to have
crashed when mach-
ine-gunning trucks on
the Burma Road.—
Reuter.One of the Japanese bombers
was brought down yesterday at
Chingchiaoan in the district of
Anning, northwest of Kunming,
by anti-aircraft gun fire. It was
burned in the crash. One of the
Japanese airmen was instantly
killed while two others are fugi-
tives.—Central News."SMOOTHLY AND
CALMLY"Following an inspection of con-
ditions on the border, Major-Gen-
eral Raishiro Sumita, chief of the
Japanese military mission to Indo-
China, declared on his return to
Hanoi that the armistice between
Thailand and Indo-China is being
carried out "smoothly and
calmly."He added: "The only thing to
wait for at present is an agree-
ment at the Tokyo peace confer-
ence."—Reuter.BRITISH DAYLIGHT
FIGHTER PATROLS
OVER FRANCESTRONG BRITISH FIGHTER patrols were
continued over the French coast during day-
light on Friday and none of the British ma-
chines is missing.An Air Ministry communique announcing
this adds that on Friday night a number of
operations were successfully completed in
spite of bad weather.COLONY'S NEW
FOOD CONTROLLERMr. D. L. Newbigging, a director
of Jardine, Matheson and Co. Ltd.,
and of the Dairy Farm, has ac-
cepted an invitation from Govern-
ment to become Controller of
Food.Mr. G. S. Kennedy-Skipiton be-
comes Deputy Controller.YUGOSLAV TALKS
WITH HUNGARYIt is officially confirmed in Bel-
grade, says a Reuter message from
Rome, that M. Marcovitch, the
Yugoslav Foreign Minister, is to
visit Budapest on February 26.
The Stefani agency is the source
of the report.—Reuter.SANTANDER
"GESTURE"
BY NAZIS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Authoritative sources in
Berlin yesterday denied
as "unfounded" reports
abroad that German
troops are entering Spain
from Nazi-held France.It was stated the report origi-
nated from a German "Red Cross
Unit" sent to Santander "to aid in
relief work."

Offer To Spain

The Spanish Government, says
I.N.S. Madrid correspondent, is
giving serious attention to an offer
from Germany to send a military
relief expedition to Santander to
aid the victims of last week's hur-
ricane and fire.Up to 8 o'clock yesterday the
Government was still undecided
whether to accept the offer.—In-
ternational News Service.

No Confirmation

There is no official confirmation
in London of a report that certain
units of the German army have
crossed from France into Spain,
at the invitation of the Spanish
Foreign Minister, to assist in re-
building and rescue work at San-
tander.—Reuter.British assistance is being
given to relieve distress caused by
the great fire in Santander.
Two steamers carrying wheat
and corn to Britain have been
diverted to that town at the spe-
cial request of the British Amba-
sador in Madrid, Sir Samuel
Hoare.—Reuter.ABYSSINIAN
PATRIOT ARMY
BEGINS PUSH(By Reuter's Special Correspondent
Somewhere in Abyssinia)The first serious push by the Abyssinian
patriot army on Gojjam province has begun;
it is no longer a rebellion but organised opera-
tions directed by British officers versed in the
strategy of scientific guerrilla warfare.Heavily armed, independent operational
units, each under a young British officer and
a few British sergeants who specially volun-
teered for the job, have entered Gojjam at
various points.They carry complete demolition
outfits for destroying bridges and
mining communications behind the
enemy lines.The numbers are constantly
increasing as they are joined by
deserters from the Italians.Aided by these "nomad" British
columns, the patriot forces are
now harassing the enemy who
are retreating from outlying es-
tablishments on Buri and Gendar, in
western Gojjam.SIMILAR OPERATIONS IN
EASTERN GOJJAM ARE
THREATENING REINFORCE-
MENTS WHICH ARE GOING
FROM THE SOUTH TOWARDS
KEREN.Emperor Haile Selassie has al-
ready chosen his temporary cap-
ital pending his return to Addis
Ababa and the Ethiopians are
greatly encouraged by the way in
which the campaign is developing.
—Reuter.High explosive and incendiary
bombs were dropped in this at-
tack which lasted about three and
a half hours.Fires were started and dam-
age was done to houses and
business premises. There were
a number of casualties, includ-
ing some killed.There was also some activity
over East England for a short
period during the night.A few bombs were dropped
some of them in the London
area. No great damage was
done and casualties were few.Later an official stated the effect
of incendiaries in the Swansea raid
was greatly reduced by the mag-
nificent work of fire-fighting or-
ganisations.—British Wireless.

KUFRA OASIS

FIGHTING

A communique issued from
Free French Headquarters in the
Middle East yesterday declared
that fighting is still going on in
the region of Kufra Oasis.Enemy attempts to relieve the
situation by counter-attacks were
repulsed.

SIR CYRIL NEWALL

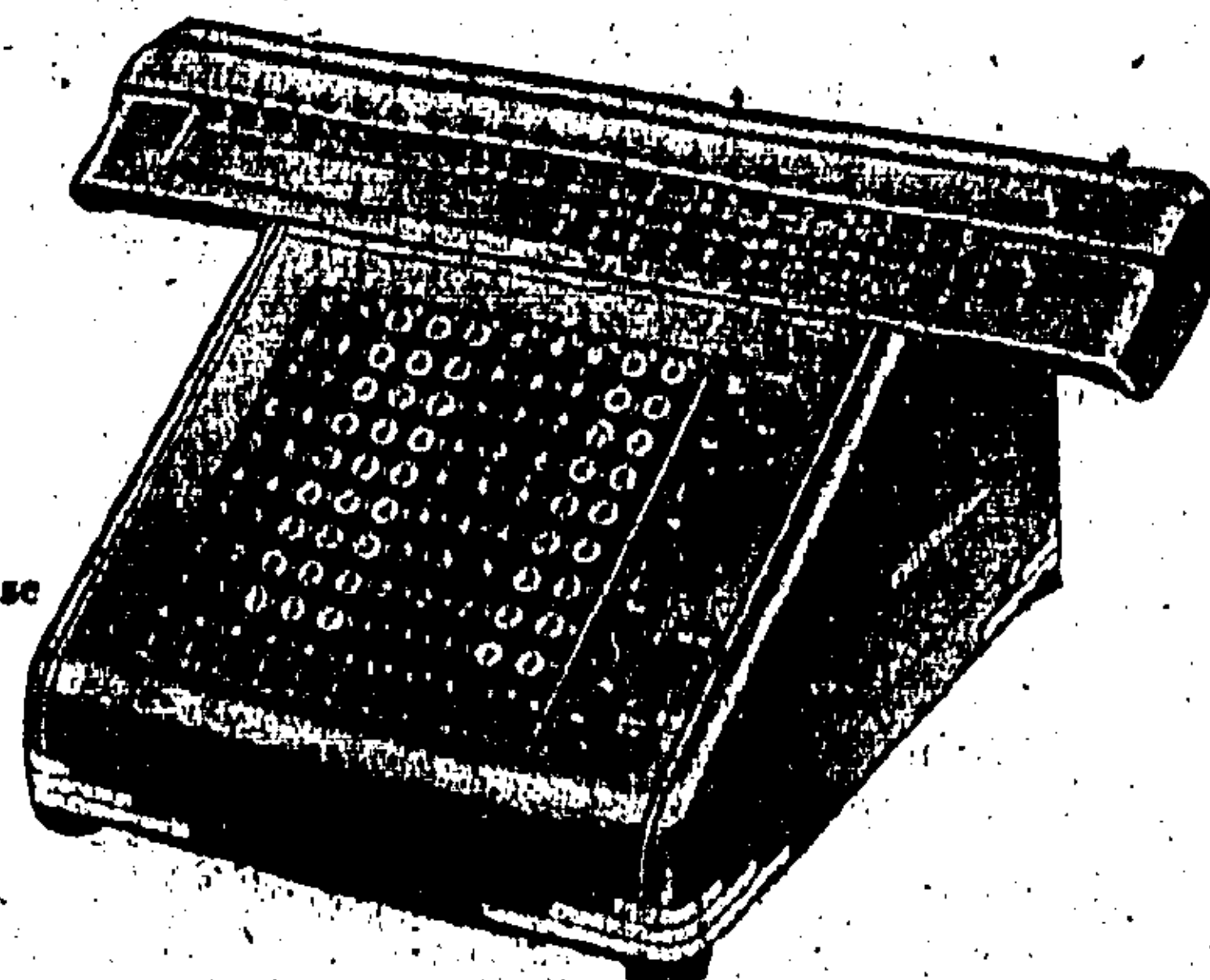
ARRIVES

The new Governor-General of
New Zealand, Air Chief Marshal
Sir Cyril Newall, has arrived in
the liner Marlborough and im-
mediately proceeded by train to Wel-
lington, where he was scheduled
to take the oath in the Parliamen-
tary grounds yesterday.—Reuter.

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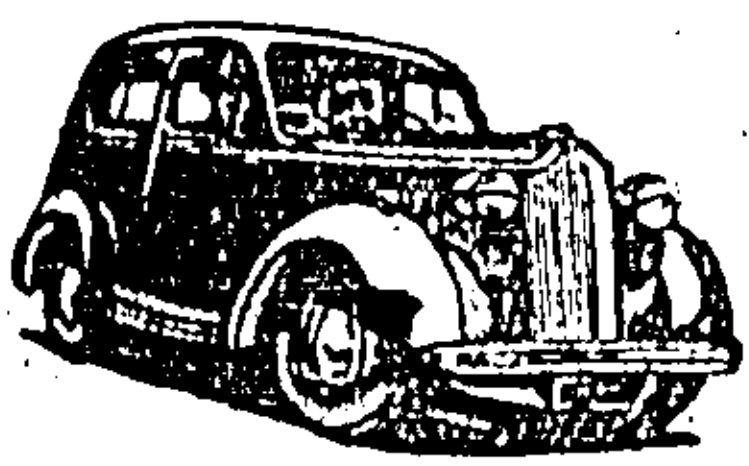
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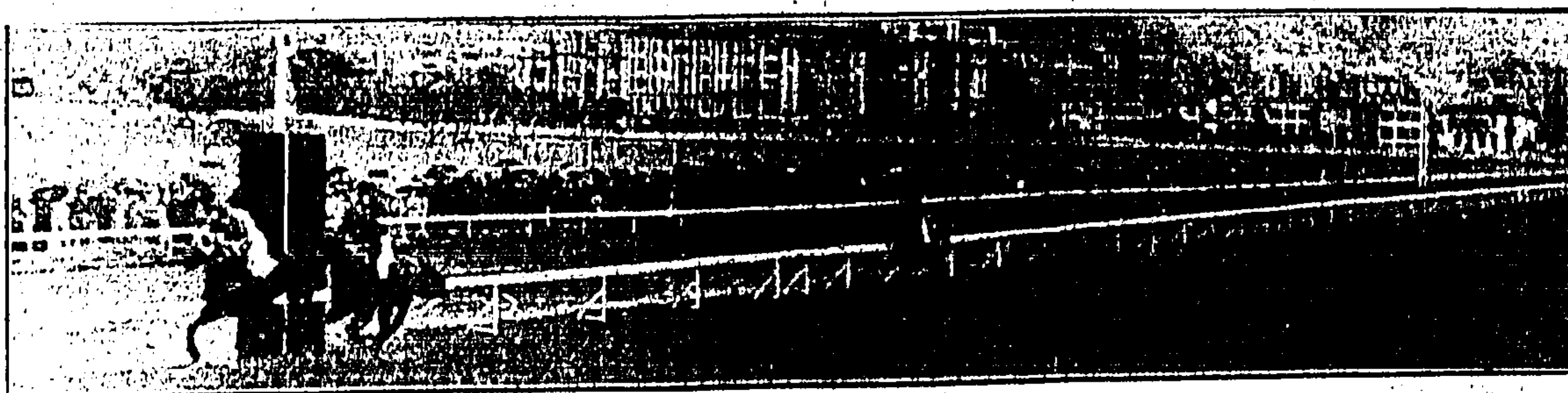
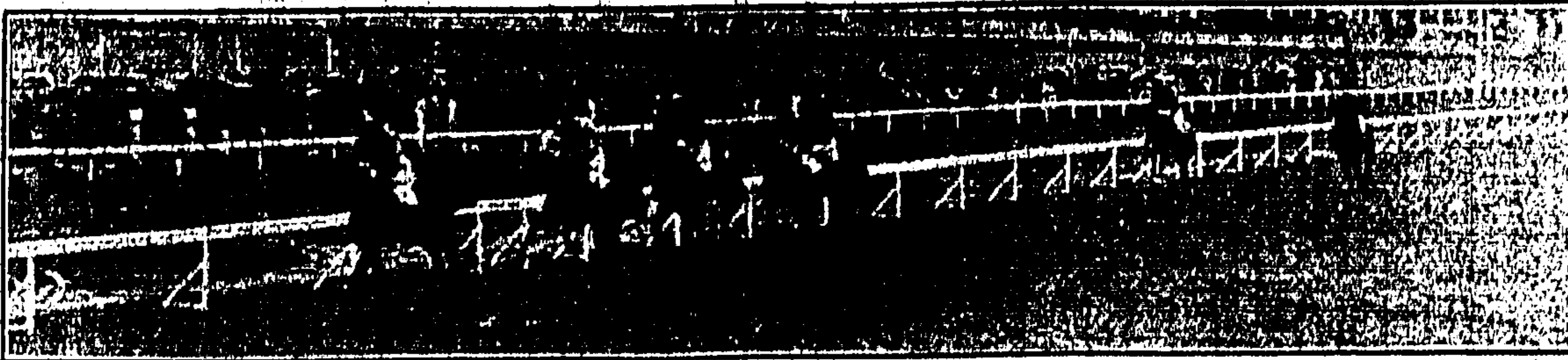


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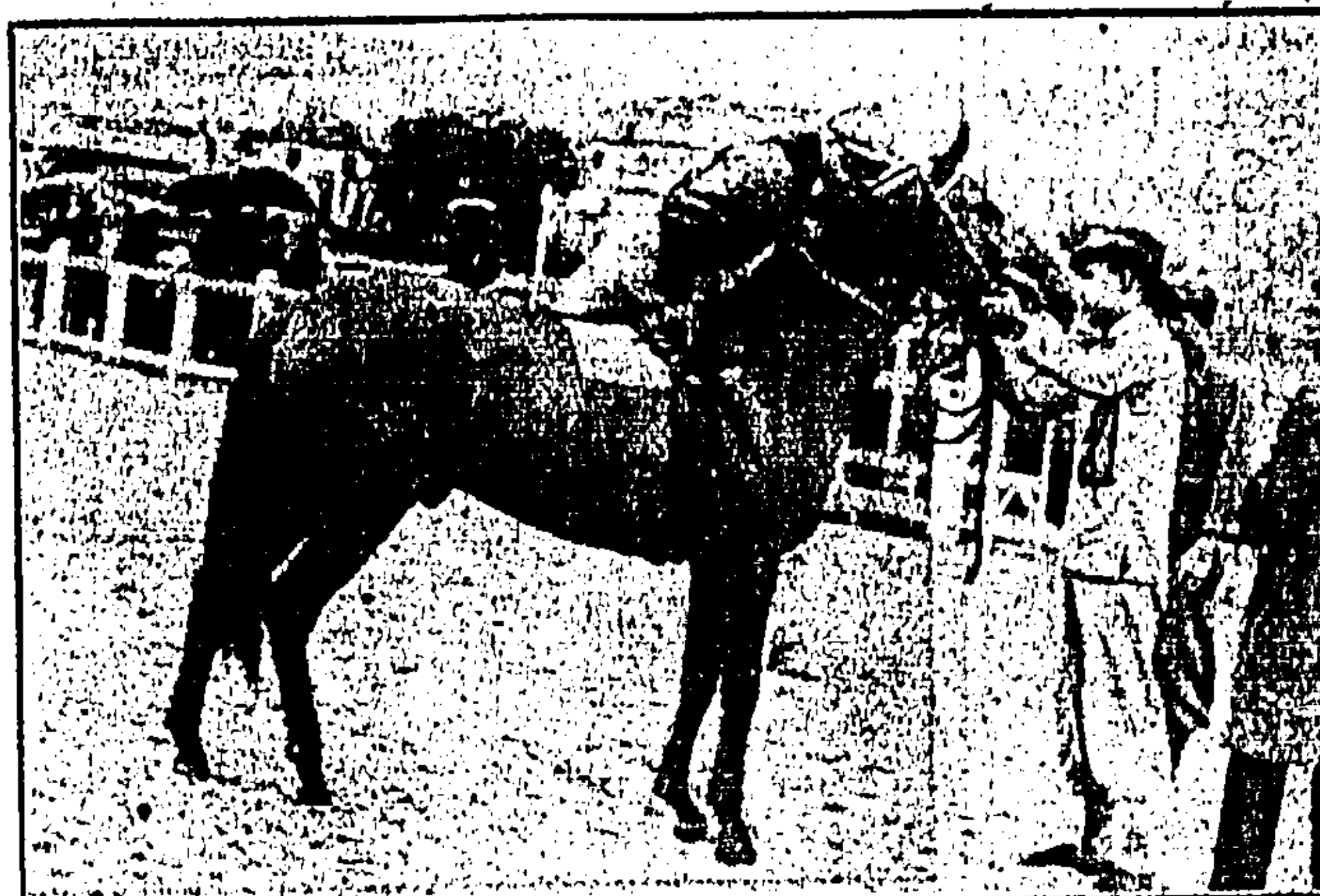


(Top)—Passing the Stands for the first time in The Hong Kong Derby, run last Tuesday, in driving rain, showing Marber's Charlesber (Mr. Chao up) setting the pace in its first race on the local track, followed by Oolong (Mr. Needs), Lovelystlight (Mr. Noodt), ralis, World Fair View (Mr. Pih) and Velvetlight (Mr. Moller), with the two Eve candidates, Eve of Deception and Eve of Grandeur in the rear.

(Above)—The Derby finish showing Mr. T. K. Li's Oolong (Mr. Needs) winning by a length from Mr. Eric Moller's Velvetlight (Mr. C. B. Moller) with Mr. Moller's Lovelystlight (Mr. Noodt), which finished lame, third, six lengths behind.



It was Mr. Vio. Needs's fourth Hong Kong Derby triumph, hence the smiles. He rode Mr. T. K. Li's Oolong, hot favourite, to an easy win over the Moller cracks.



Mr. B. L. Tao mounting Eve of Deception for the Hong Kong Derby. The pony, however, was outclassed and finished sixth or seventh in the field of seven starters.



Marber's Charlesber (Mr. Chao up), the second favourite, in the Paddock prior to the Hong Kong Derby. After setting the pace up to the incline leading to the Rock it faltered badly, and was a very poor fourth, in company with World Fair View.



Mr. Eric Moller's Velvetlight, Trial Plate winner, being led in after placing second in the Hong Kong Derby. Mr. Chris Moller was the jockey.

MR. T. K. LI'S OOLONG WINS DERBY TO GIVE MR. NEEDA HIS FOURTH TRIUMPH



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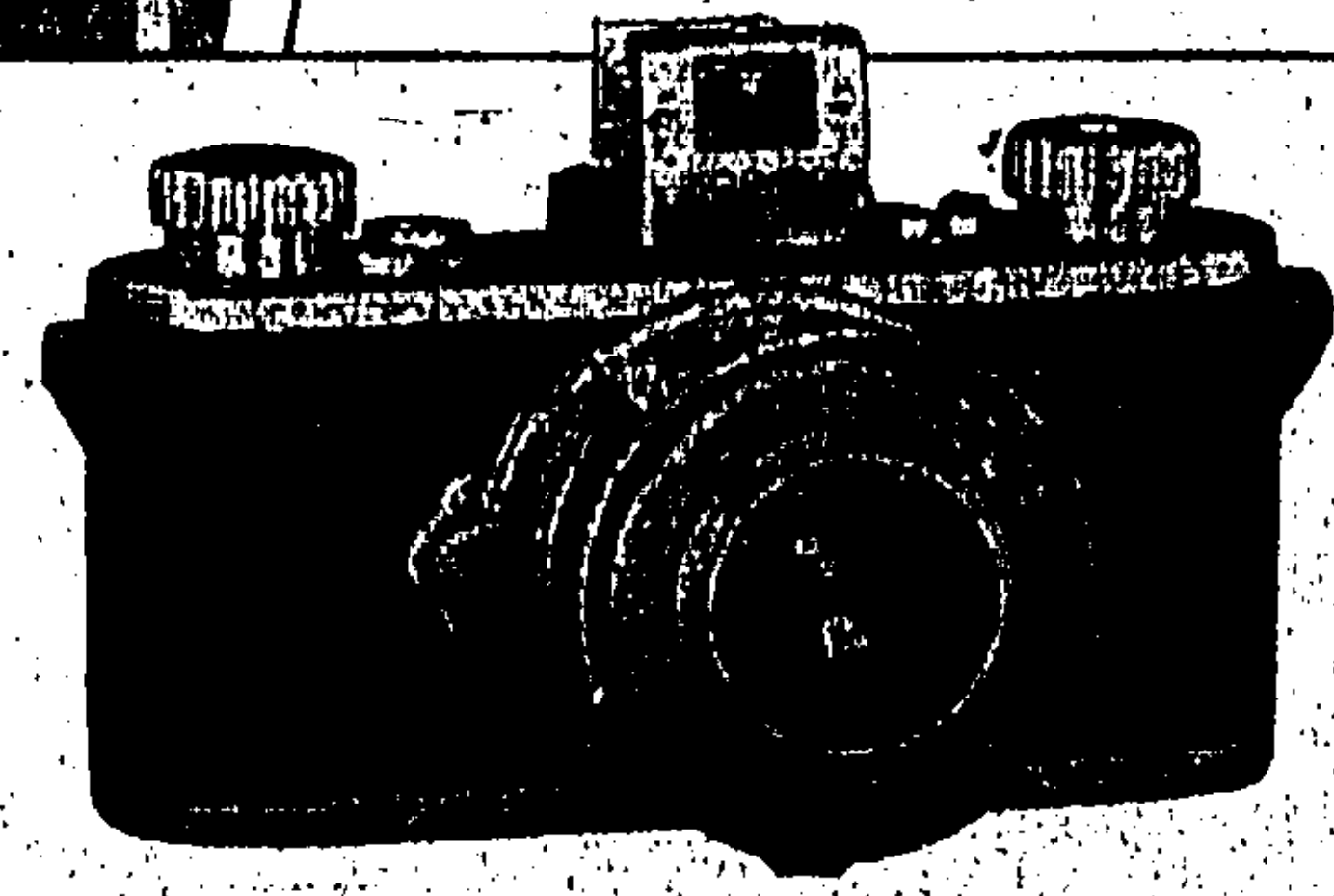
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BIG things are too often done for the publicity and commendation accompanying them. Little things usually come from the heart.

There's hardly a soul living who doesn't get a real thrill from being remembered on his birthday, no matter how hard-boiled he may seem.

Do you know when your friends' birthdays occur? It isn't at all difficult to find out.

If you haven't a "birthday book," invest in one. And be sure to pry into the birthday dates of older people. They get a tremendous amount of pleasure from being remembered!

Just because you know the dates of your friends' birthdays doesn't mean you're obliged to buy gifts. Instead, it means doing whatever little things seem simplest and most suitable—a long, newsy letter, an appropriate birthday card, even a cheery "Happy Birthday" over the telephone.

If you live in the same town and it's summer, a few flowers from your garden will mean more than some conventional present. Or invite the family of the birthday friend for dinner and surprise the honour guest with a cake and all the trimmings. Remember how often you've meant to send a birthday card—and didn't, because you'd have to

It doesn't require heroic effort nor huge expenditures to make others happy. And you reap big dividends from doing little things for your friends.

go all the way downtown to get one? One of my friends follows the forthright plan of buying cards for specific friends in advance. When she happens to see a card that seems particularly suited to one friend, she buys it then.

Naturally your friends' other anniversaries—particularly wedding dates—are just as important as birthdays. And there are the anniversaries which aren't pleasant—those concerning the loss of someone very dear. These days are difficult, no matter how brave your friend may be. If you keep a record of these unhappy days, you may at least be able to do some little thing to help a friend through in a reasonably normal manner.

The first thought, of course, is to send flowers. But often flowers reassert memories which only contribute to the very sadness you may be trying to alleviate.

A woman I know gets around this by casually suggesting a trip, a movie, or luncheon together. She then keeps the conversation in a light, happy vein.

Follow this, and you'll be doing a greater kindness than you can possibly realise unless you, too, have lived through such anguishing days.

Do you always remember to send something cheering to a friend who's ill? Maybe you do at first, but what about illnesses or convalescences of long duration? If you've been associated

with illness, you know that the flowers and the messenger arrive too late. But they appear less frequently as time goes on. It's a human nature to take a long illness almost for granted.

Don't forget that one cheery letter may change a doldrum day into one of happiness and good mental outlook. And the arrival of a bouquet of flowers may be the day's brightest moment.

Be sure to keep these two things in mind: It's better to send a few flowers several times than a huge bouquet but once; and it's better to find out what kind of flowers your shut-in friend likes than to send the kind you like or the kind you have in your garden.

During a recent illness and long confinement to the house, an acquaintance received one dewy rose every morning. The first one arrived in an attractive bud vase. It was for the patient to gaze at the colour of each day's bloom, and to watch for its arrival.

Have you ever moved into a new town, a perfect stranger? Not long ago when we made our trek across the continent, we called at the post office for our forwarded mail, still feeling very upkissed and somewhat bewildered. We found, along with the letters from home, one from a distant friend who had a year or so earlier spent some time in this city who was to be our home. Opening it

we read, "Welcome to Tucson!" There followed a host of helpful suggestions regarding the city and its facilities. A little thing, but it had a warming effect upon us all. Another friend wrote us at least once a week until she sensed our orientation was made.

When your new dress arrives from the shop and you find it in a rumpled condition, do you rush to telephone the shop about its carelessness? That's the natural thing to do. But if the garment arrives in perfect condition, if the little item you mentioned to the salesperson has been taken care of even better than you hoped, are you equally quick to call the shop to commend the service? You'd be surprised how a gesture like that will help both the service you get from the shop, and the standing of a conscientious employee.

Since you get out of life just about what you put into it, you're really acting selfishly when you think of others. Bringing pleasure to others creates a glow which only comes when something deep inside you is satisfied. And it doesn't require heroic effort nor huge expenditures to make others happy. Instead, in the words of my friend, it's the little things that pull a big life and help you reap the biggest dividends from each day.

Vitamins Against Gray Hair

DREAMERS have for centuries been seeking the fountain of youth. We may be nearer to it than we suppose, if the recent discovery that certain vitamins in combination with certain minerals can prevent hair from turning gray, and can restore the natural colour to hair which has already turned gray is as applicable to human beings as it is to the rats on which the experimental work was done.

If it is, then we may grow old but never venerable; a world in which we will have to rely on other landmarks of age besides graying hair.

Working with rats, Dr. Claus Unger of the Merck Institute for Therapeutic Research at Rahway, New Jersey, discovered that by feeding doses of panthothenic acid and freshly synthesised vitamin B he could prevent their turning gray. He found that by the same method he could restore other rats who had turned gray to their natural colour.

Dr. Alfred H. Free of the Western Reserve School of Medicine performed similar experiments using such minerals as iron, copper and manganese in the diet instead of vitamin extracts.

Since the rat belongs to the same biological group as the human being, Marmarino, and since it responds similarly in behaviour experiments, it seems logically possible that the anti-gray hair treatment might be extended successfully to human beings. However, since neither Dr. Unger nor Dr. Free has made any reference to their discoveries in relation to human beings, all conclusions must be purely speculative.

There are unofficial rumours that the anti-gray vitamin is being given to guards in guarded experiments. For example, one relative of a well-known vitamin researcher is said to have grown a crop of black hair on a previously bald head by taking the vitamin.

A lady scientist beginning to grow gray is now said by her friends to have hair in a stage between gray and her natural colour that suggests the gray is leaving.

Another case concerns a young lady nutritionist who started taking a potent concentrate of all the B vitamins for health reasons. She not only regained her health, but also the youthful colour of her hair.

In fact, so many people are now taking vitamin extracts, for their health, that there may be a vast and unconscious experiment going on all the time, without benefit of scientific observation.

If it is true that the gray hair problem is closely related to the food intake, the question arises why so many men and women who follow an adequate diet nevertheless have gray hair. The reason for this is that the gray hair may be caused by a stagnation of the cells, (in which the cells are starved of sufficient oxygen with which to carry on the body's functions). The cause of this cellular stagnation may not be an actual lack of vitamin intake; an excess dose of vitamin may nevertheless act as a catalyst and stimulate the cells in view of the fact that vitamin B is known to help cells take up oxygen, this is significant.

For Your Beauty's Sake—

When you walk, saving your legs from the hips—not knees. Try to strike a happy medium between very long and short, mincing steps. Weight should be on the balls of the feet. Don't drag your heels or, worse yet, walk on tip-toes.

Allicia Hart in The New York World-Telegram.

If you have an ingrown toe nail, force a piece of cotton between the corner of the nail and the skin and leave it there all night. Increase the amount of cotton used each night until the nail begins to grow away from the skin.—Lola Ardwyn in National Home Monthly.

A BEDTIME STORY FOR CHILDREN:—Pop Went The Bob Cat

By Howard R. Garis



EVERY one at Friskie's party in the hollow tree squirrel house was happy. Even the Bob Cat, an uninvited guest, was happy as he hid himself in the back entry behind the brooms, mops and pails.

Even though Friskie was a little sad because her lovely snow pudding had been eaten by the Bob Cat, the squirrel girl was happy because Johnnie and Billie had made this roast chestnut surprise party for her.

The squirrel boys had also dug up some of the chestnuts they had hidden in the Autumn. They were now roasting the chestnuts. How good they smelled! The Bushytail squirrel children and their little squirrel friends, who had been invited to the party, sniffed the air in delight.

"Nothing smells so good as roasting chestnuts!" said Billie.

"Snow pudding smells good—when there is any," said Friskie. She sniffed a little as if she were going to cry.

"None of that now, Friskie!" kindly warned her mother. "Forget about the snow pudding which the Bob Cat sneaked up and took. Think of the roast chestnuts!"

"I will," said Friskie. "So will I!" snickered the Bob Cat, hidden in the entry. "And by the smell, I would say those chestnuts are almost roasted. It is about time I popped out and scared those squirrel children. And after I pop out and scare them I'll take all the roast chestnuts and run back to my den."

So the Bob Cat got ready to do this. He crouched behind the broom ready to jump out and into the kitchen.

All this time Billie and Johnnie were roasting the chestnuts. It takes a little time to properly roast chestnuts. They must get brown, but not too brown. The shells must be burned a little bit on the outside, but the nuts inside must not be burned. And the chestnuts must be cooked enough so they will be soft.

All this Johnnie and Billie knew how to do, being squirrels. They had cut a little cross in each chestnut to let out the steam. If they had not done this the chestnuts would explode.

"Oh, I can hardly wait!" cried Friskie. "How good those roast chestnuts smell!"

"They are done now," said Billie.

"Then here I come!" mewed the Bob Cat. Out of his hiding place he popped. He ran to the stove. With shouts and screams the squirrel boys and girls scattered. "I'll take all these nuts!" howled the Bob Cat.

With the stove poker he was pushing the hot roast chestnuts into his coat pocket. All of a sudden a big chestnut, in which the squirrel boys had forgotten to cut a cross, exploded, burst, popped and blew up with a loud bang!

"Wham!" Right in the face of the Bob Cat the hot chestnut exploded!

"Oh, I'm shot! I'm wounded! Oh! Oh! Oh!" howled the Bob Cat.

Then out of the squirrel house he popped as fast as he could. He dropped all the roast chestnuts

which Johnnie and Billie picked up. Only one chestnut had exploded and just at the right time.

So the squirrel children ate roast chestnuts at Friskie's party. And then came another surprise. Mrs. Bushytail made more snow pudding and that was served for dessert. It was such a jolly party. And if the clock will stop ticking long enough for the two hands to play tag with the face I'll tell you next about Sammie's lost cap.

Homemaker's Diary

Pickled pearl onions on toothpicks add distinction to the canape tray. Alternate them with bits of cheese, stuffed anchovies or olives.

To prevent cake icing from sticking to the knife when the cake is cut, dip the knife into hot water before slicing.

Use a pair of kitchen scissors to cut lettuce, string beans and other vegetables into sizes and shapes desired.

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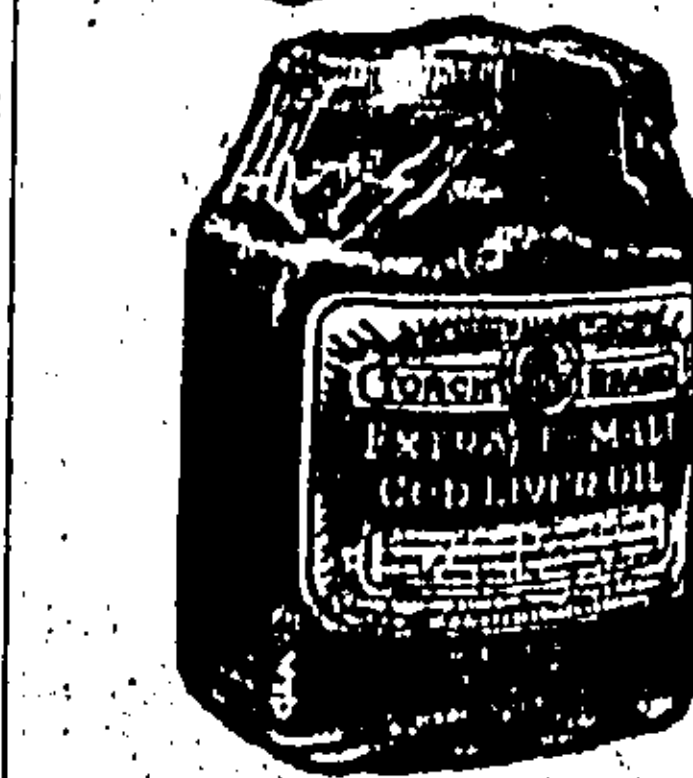
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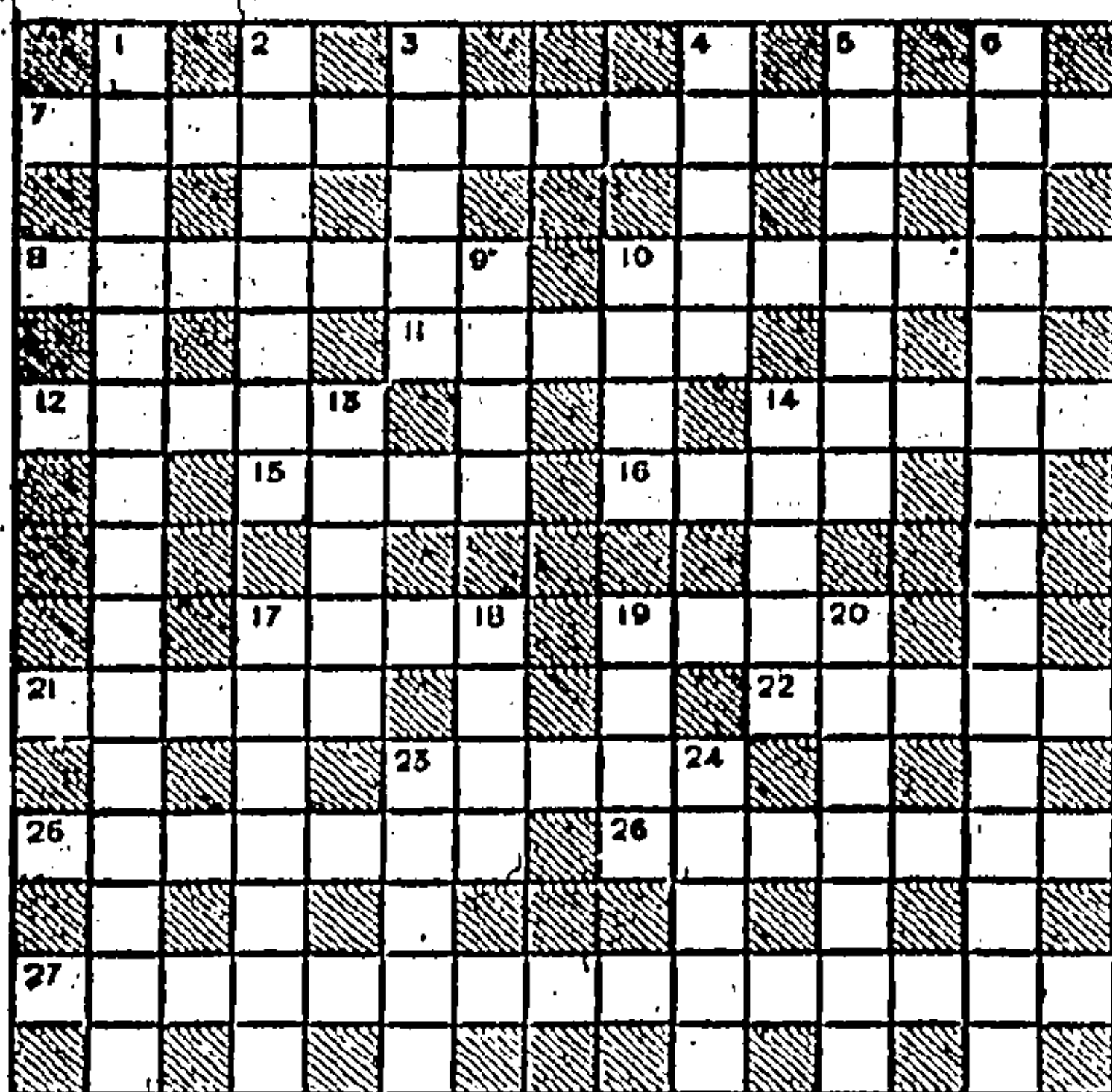
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SUNDAY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



ACROSS

- 7 Many have paid to see this breezy departure depicted (four words) (4, 4, 3, 4).
8 Whatever happens he keeps on with his job (7).
10 Remark that I enter Riviera town (7).
11 Mountain tree (5).
12 It is bluish, or is it not? (5).
14 A real 8 (6).
15 With article microbe is enemy (4).
16 African heath? (4).
17 Mountain out down (4).
18 In ring it is extending (4).
21 A robust porter (5).
22 Feminine name (5).
23 Birds of prey employ it (5).
25 No trans seen crossing window (7).
26 Describes such birds as swallows (7).
27 Exeter, Bath, and Swansea may be so described (four words) (6, 2, 3, 4).

DOWN

- 1 To do thus, an account shows inconsistencies (15).
2 Encroaching or guarding (7).
3 Hoarding is his chief joy (6).
4 Brightness near London (5).

- 5 This is death on flies (7).
6 Inauspicious, though partly business (16).
9 "Give ample—and verge enough" (Gray) (4).
10 Many direct effort to injure on (4).
13 Only opinion either way (5).
14 Small river-fish (5).
17 Vessel in front burns fiercely (7).
18 One kind of soil (4).
19 Old kingdom might become cupola (4).
20 Descendants of Shem (7).
23 Food that may be drunk (5).
24 Recess in the wall (5).

SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1. ACCOUNTS
2. GUARDING
3. HOARDING
4. BRIGHTNESS
5. FLIES
6. INAUSPICIOUS
7. EXETER
8. DEPARTURE
9. VERGE
10. EFFORT
11. MOUNTAIN
12. BLUISH
13. EITHER
14. FISH
15. REAL
16. BUSINESS
17. VESSEL
18. SOIL
19. CUPOLA
20. SHEM
21. PORTER
22. FEMININE
23. PREY
24. DRUNK
25. WINDOW
26. SWALLOW
27. EXETER

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1. INCONSISTENCIES
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More Light On Black Light

YOU can't see "black light." Because of that, and because of its other remarkable qualities, it shows every sign of growing into an important tool for business and industry.

Three types of black-ray lamps are being made. The most practical and widely used is a high-intensity mercury vapor lamp whose rays—invisible to the eye—cause certain substances to fluoresce or become luminous. When objects are painted with these fluorescent substances, black light thrown on them produces startling color effects in the dark.

Most present uses of black light have to do with decoration. Walls of theatres and public halls can be painted with designs which appear in one group of colours under ordinary light and in totally



IS CLEAR?—An amusing study from a farmyard showing the "Spotter" from the pig sty making sure that everything is O.K. before allowing his family to take the air. (Fox Photos, Copyright.)

Black light (invisible ultra-violet radiation) makes it possible for factory and office workers to find their way to shelter and safety during sudden black-outs, without attracting the attention of night-flying enemy airmen.

different colours under the black light. But tremendous growth outside the field of decoration is already beginning. A cordage manufacturer, for example, conceals a strand of fluorescent dyed material in his rope. If a rope fails to use and the maker is accused of selling defective material, he has only to pass the rope under a black-ray lamp to find out whether it is his or a competitor's product that failed.

A large mining company uses the black-ray lamp to search out desired metals and to locate the richest veins. Likewise, refuse piles can be inspected for wastage of valuable minerals by running all cast-away materials under a lamp. Tungsten is being sought with black-ray lamps now that the metal has become of great strategic value. Not all minerals fluoresce; copper and iron don't, zinc and tungsten do.

The advent of fluorescent inks opens the way for a variety of printing effects. Luminous signboards for sheltered or indoor use are on the way and they will offer many merchandising tricks.

Europe is more advanced in the use of black light than the United States. There they make artificial flowers out of fluorescent plastics and spin such plastics into threads for weaving into textiles.

Black light is also used for inspection and detection. Fresh eggs are separated from stale ones; butter is distinguished from margarine, and genuine sapphires, pearls and ivory are distinguished from artificial products. Before fluorescent dyes, black light reveals greases and machine stains. Different types of rubber can be identified by the fluorescing of the elements used in compounding them, while a similar treatment of paper reveals the bleaching and colouring chemicals employed.

Documents can be examined to reveal erasures and forgeries, involving the use of different inks. Philatelists can detect repairs to postage stamps, addition of colour, evidence of regumming and removal of cancellations.

Black light has already demonstrated its practical value in a large number of other fields. One hundred industrial inspectors of New York State's Department of Labour were recently shown how "black light" (invisible ultra-violet radiation) makes it possible for factory and office workers to find their way to shelter and safety during sudden black-outs.

The stage was set in the Electric and Gas Association auditorium, New York. Suddenly all the lights went out, but certain objects, which had been scattered about the stage to simulate walls, passage ways, parts of machines, and stripes on the floor itself continued to glow with a light which

could easily be followed by the most near-sighted worker. The glow was produced by fluorescent paints which were being activated into brightness by concealed lamps giving forth black light.

In England where such safety light is tragically necessary they are even extending the black-light fluorescent paint technique beyond the aisles and passages of factories to the great London railway stations—King's Cross, Waterloo, Euston, Paddington—and to the main stations in such British cities as Sheffield, Manchester, Coventry and Glasgow. At Paddington, for instance, the great 30 ft. by 10 ft. indicator board has been made thoroughly visible during black-outs by painting the 8,000 letters and figures indicating train arrivals and departures, and the clock face, with fluorescent paint. Cooperating with the railways, General Electric Co., Ltd., of London, has adapted its 125-watt "Cela" black-light lamps to the illumination of the boards by means of wide-angle dispersive reflectors. Incidentally the same technique is being used by up-to-date British advertisers in passage ways and window displays which will appeal to buyers without attracting the attention of night-flying enemy airmen.

ELY-CULBERTSON ON:—
CONTRACT BRIDGE

FROM time immemorial we have heard about the "sixth sense" of some players in card games. When dissected, this sixth sense, commonly called card sense, proved to be nothing but the ability to apply logic, reasoning and sound psychology to a given situation. These qualities are especially valuable in the selection of an opening lead. Note West's sensational opening in the following hand.

Both sides vulnerable.
Rubber bridge.

NORTH
S-Q 7
H-9 3
D-A K 10 6 2
C-Q 10 7 3

WEST
S-J 10 8 3 2
H-A Q 4
D-7
C-A 6 4 2

EAST
S-6 5 4
H-10 8 6 5 2
D-9 8 5
C-3

SOUTH
S-A K Q
H-Q 10 7
D-Q 4 3
C-K J 9 8

The bidding:
South: 1 spade
West: 2 no trump
North: 3 no trump
East: Pass

West, a ranking expert, followed the proper procedure in selecting an opening lead, which is to say that he not only turned all his attention to his own holding. Rather, he weighed the opposing bidding for all its implications. North had bid two diamonds over the one spade without the slightest hesitation and South when this bid reached him, had not "huddled" for a second in producing his two no-trump rebid. Finally, when the two no-trump reached North, the latter had gone to three with no more thought than had been given his previous bid. These facts convinced West that both opponents felt entirely secure insofar as the spade suit was concerned, and West would have made a small

wager that, between them, North and South held the three top honours. If that were true, there was certainly nothing to be hoped for from a spade opening. A diamond lead was out of the question. Since West had a singleton even if East were well heeled in diamonds, one lead through North's bid suit scarcely could be effective. A club lead was not much more attractive. West did have length, but his spot cards under the ace were entirely too low. The process of elimination then left hearts as the only suit from which a ray of hope could be taken. Neither opponent had bid hearts, which he presumably would have done if possible; hence there was a strong assumption that East had length, if not strength, in this suit. But it was equally obvious that East had few, if any, entries. Hence, if he were ever to get on lead with his supposed heart suit West would have to put him on lead.

All this reasoning took only a few seconds and West then produced the one card that had the slightest chance to defeat the contract. He led the heart queen! It will be obvious that declarer could have fulfilled the contract by holding up his heart king, but the fact is that he did not. He was afraid that, if he held up the king, West might shift to clubs and that East might have the ace. Then a heart return would trap the king if, as appeared likely, West had started with something like the A-Q-J-x of hearts. In such a case, declarer had every reason to feel that, by accepting the heart king on the spot, he would be able to run off five diamonds and three aces and fulfill his contract. He could hardly know that East had the diamond suit stopped. Well, at any rate, declarer took the heart king and it was all over for him. Three rounds of diamonds disclosed the bad news and he then had to attack the club ace and laid down the ace and four of hearts. East then ran the suit and the contract was down one.

JEST--A--MINUTE

NOT VERY PROGRESSIVE
Vacationist: "Any big men born here?"
Native: "None. Not very progressive round here; best we can do is bubble. Diff'rent in the city, I s'pose."

NO MORE WALKING
"Won't you marry me, Elmore?"
"You couldn't keep me in the shoes I've been accustomed to."
"Well, of course, I'd expect you to cut out walking boots, after we're married."

HIS NERVES
A man put up at a hotel, and the clerk warned him that the man in the next room was very nervous. When the man went to his room he thoughtlessly threw his shoe down very hard. Then he happened to think of the poor nervous cuss, so he laid the other shoe down very gently. He went to bed and about two hours later he heard a rap at the door. He asked who it was, and the nervous man said: "For heaven's sake, throw that other shoe down, will you?"

ALWAYS ON TAPS
The West Point cadets are not the only ones who find taps and the sunrise gun annoying. The wife of one of the officers there secured a coloured maid from a New York agency, and, from all appearances, the girl was well pleased with her work. To the mistress' amazement, Sallie appeared the fourth morning and said she was going to give up her job right away.
"Why, I thought you liked the work, Sallie. Whatever can be the matter?"
"Miss Lizzie, I likes you, an' I likes de chilun, an' I likes de Colonel, an' I likes de wuk. But I gotter leave. I can't work no where where I has to be drummed to bed at night, an' shot out of bed in de mawnin'."

The doctor was visiting Rastus' wife to deliver her twelfth offspring. While riding along with Rastus he saw a duck in the road. Doctor: "Whose duck is that?" Rastus: "That ain't no duck. That's a stork with his legs wore out."

TOO PROUD
"You gwinter hang up any mistletoe dis Christmas, Annalena?"
"Not me. Deed I lan't. I got too much pride to advertise for de ordinary coutesies a lady have a right to expect."

ILL OMEN
An Irishman who was coming out of either in a yard after an operation, exclaimed audibly: "Thank God! That's over!"
"Don't be too sure," said the man in the next bed. "They left a sponge in me and had to cut me open again."
And the patient on the other side said: "Why, they had to open me, too, to find one of their instruments."

FAIR-HAIRED BOY
It is inscribed upon tablets of jade that he who doth bring in the mazzuma for another, the same shall be a fair-haired boy and privilege not given to kings shall be his.
For 'tis like unto the tale of the sales manager who one day came bristling and sputtering into the president's office.
"Excuse, thyself," spake the president, "and tell me what trouble some matter doth so get in thine hair."
"Tis Goodwin, the newest man of all our worthy sales force," replied the sales manager. "He hath spoken to me in most unsoothing



"Why, Paw—I never knew you were bald!"—Judge, U.S.A.

tones and words of most uncomplimentary nature."
"What sayeth he?"
"He sayeth that I could fry my face."

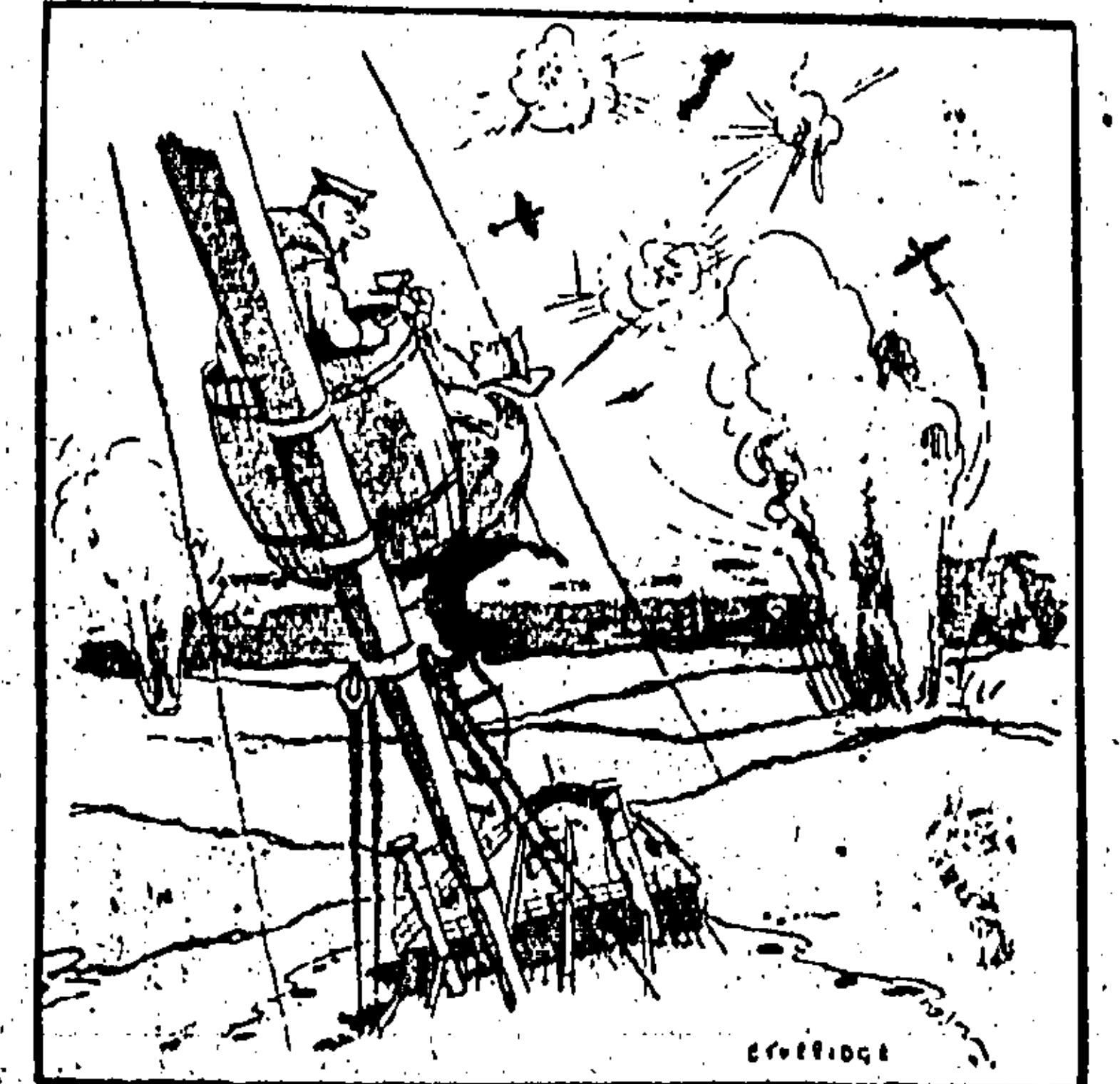
"Is that all?" scoffed the president.
"Nay, he also said you could go to Hell."
"What?" shouted the president. "He shall be discharged without ado or ceremony. How long has this upstart been with us?"
"Five months."

"How much business has this Scoundrel, this Blackguard, done?"
Consulting scrolls of sales records, the sales manager did quote as follows:
"The first month he did two hundred dollars, the second month he did one thousand dollars and the next month he did five thousand smackers."
"Hummm," murmured the president, most thoughtfully. "The hardware department will give you a frying pan, and I must admit I, ah missed church last Sunday."

A KITCHEN TRAGEDY
Two drummers, breakfasting in a diner, gave their orders — for two small steaks, scrambled eggs, and coffee.
As the waiter departed, one drummer called him back. "Bring me waffles, boy, and eliminate my eggs."
The waiter scratched his head. "Says which, boss?"
"Waffles, I said — an' eliminate my eggs."

A stare of suspicion. "Aw right, boss."
Two minutes later, the waiter's perturbed face reappeared down the aisle. "Boss, will you repeat dat order for me-De cook is a plumb laggeramus, an' some scrambled eggs, waffles, coffee and eliminate my eggs."
"Yes, suh—dat's what I tol' him —"

Shaking his head, the waiter let out a full five minutes. After a full five minutes, he reappeared, face perplexed, collar askew. "Boss, couldn't you make it boiled, or alured, or fried eggs? Honest to Gawd, de cook says he can't eliminate yo' eggs — de 'liminator' fell out de window!"



"Put three lumps o' sugar in it. 'Erbi'—The Bulletin, Australia.

THEIR HOME A DUNGEON



RIVER GIRLS SLEEP IN DUNGEONS.—Girls of the River Emergency Service have twice been bombed out of their shore billets and have now found sanctuary in dungeons; that have stood empty for more than a century. These dungeons on the Thames are two floors underground and were occupied by prisoners of the Napoleonic wars. The girls are shown in their new quarters. (Fox Photos, Copyright.)

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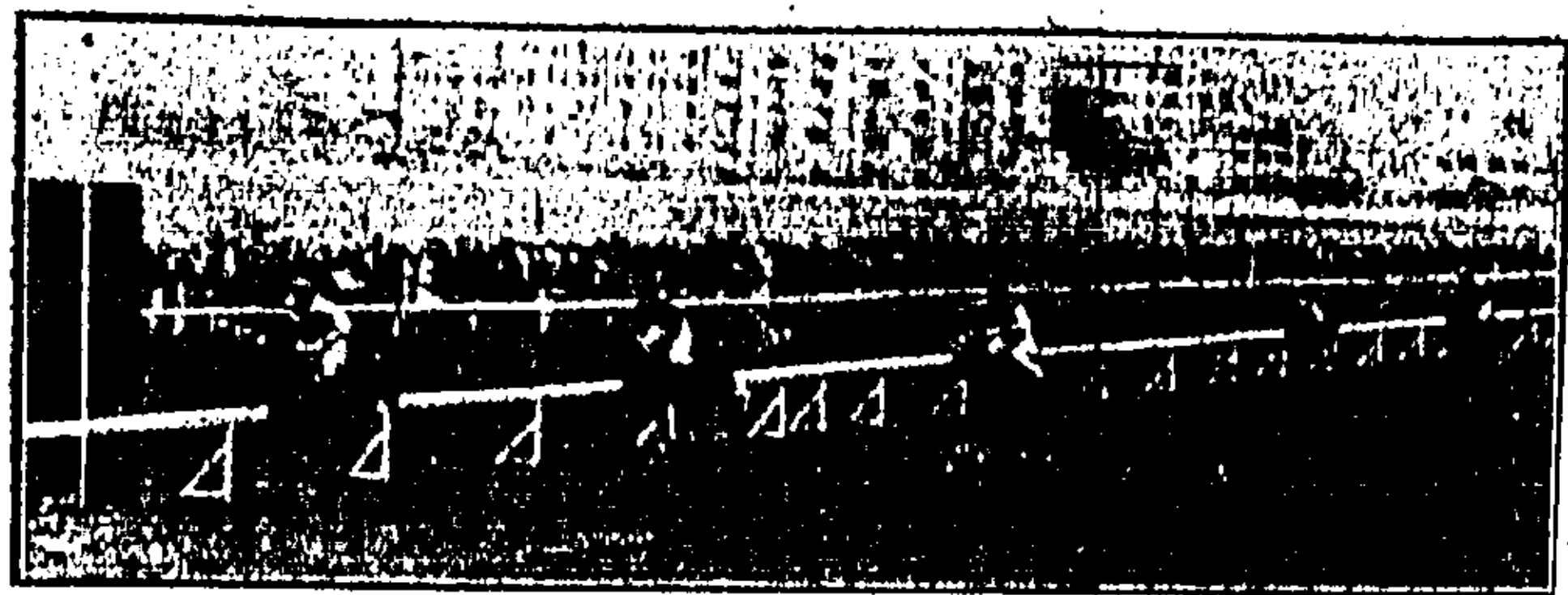
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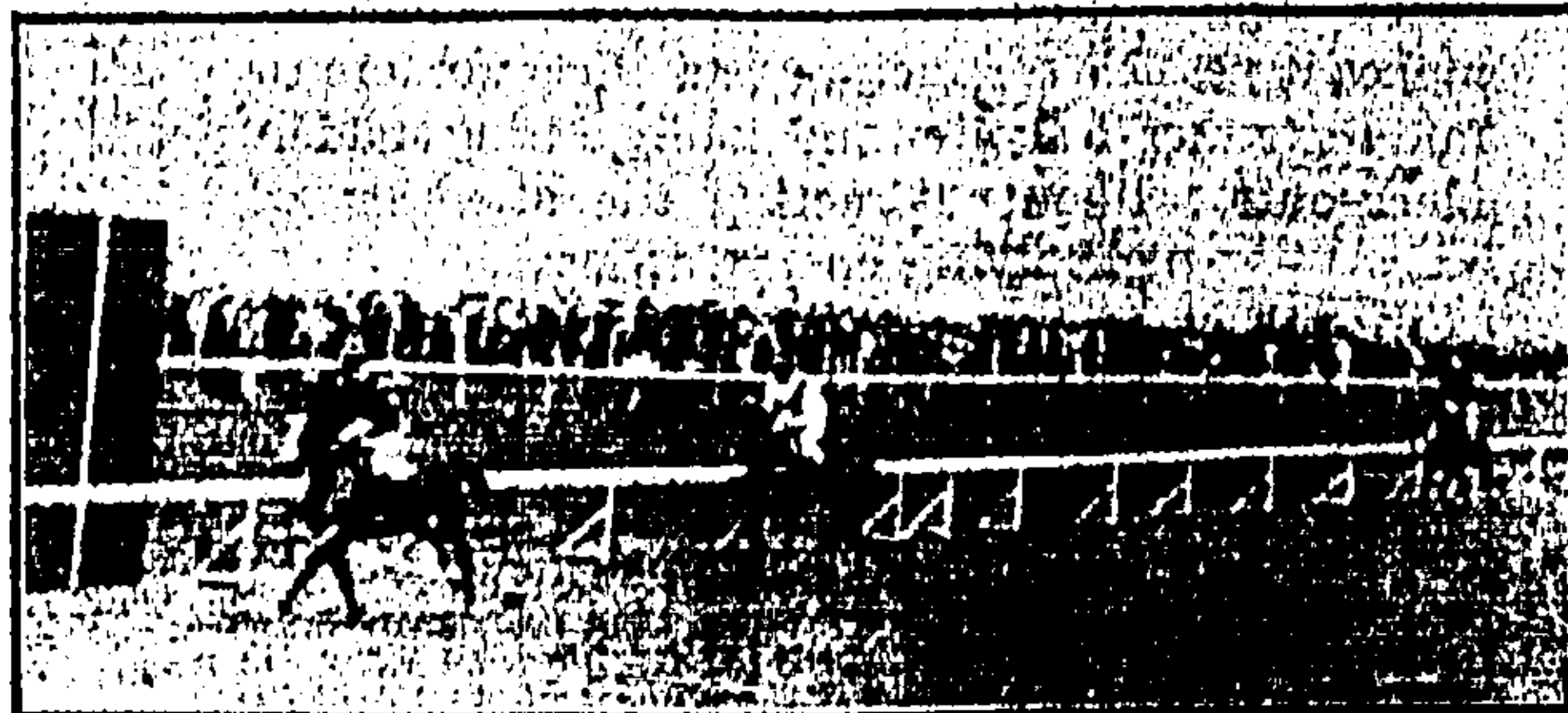
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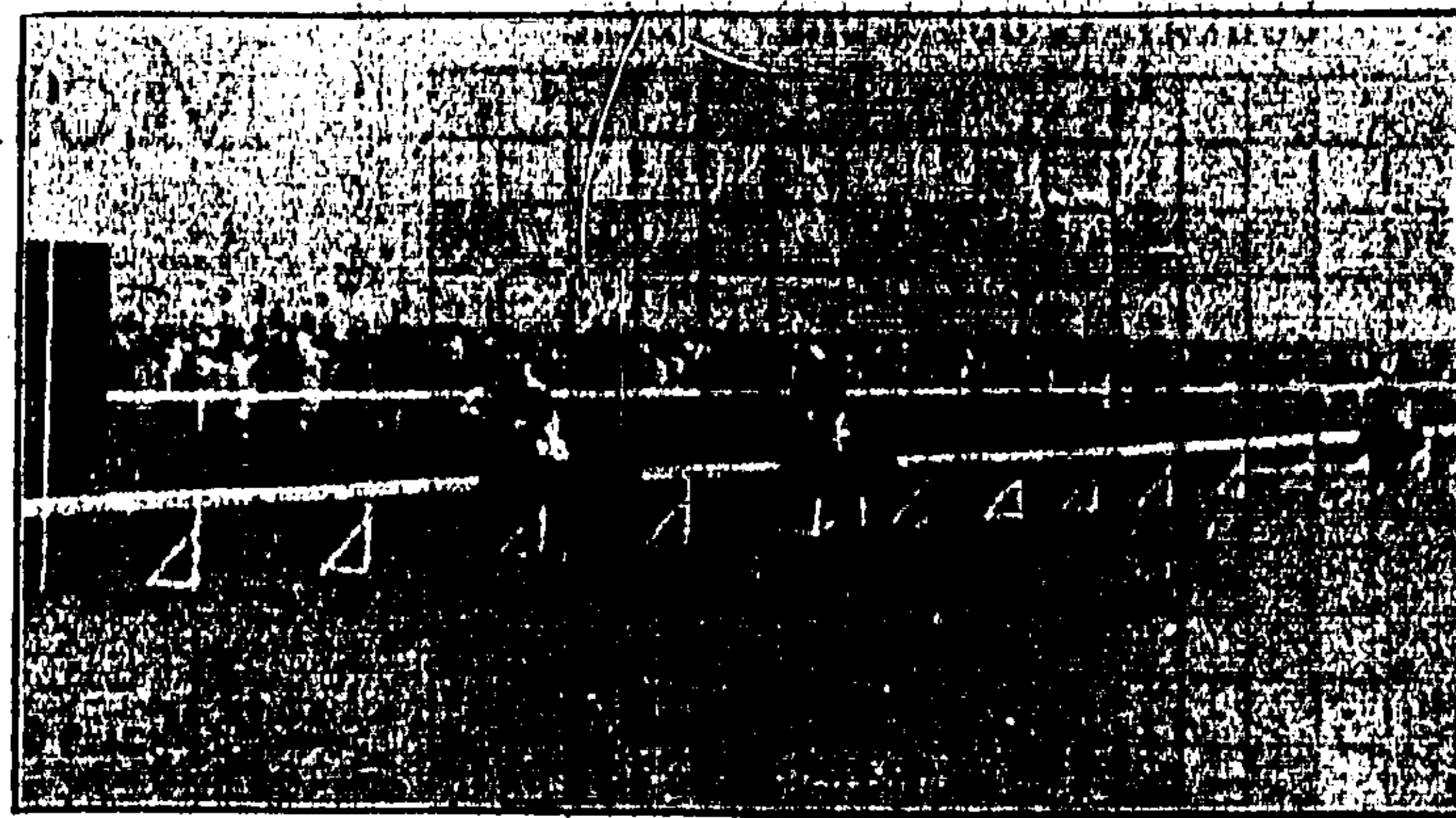
Riderless Pony 4th In Austral Trial Plate



P. & L.'s First Love (Mr. Liang up) winning the Austral Trial Plate by 3 lengths from Prairie View (Mr. Pih), with Marsh Warbler (Mr. Black) third, a short head behind. The fourth pony in the picture is Nomine Poenae, which was leading at the mile starting gate when its jockey, Mr. Chao, became unseated and fell over the rails.



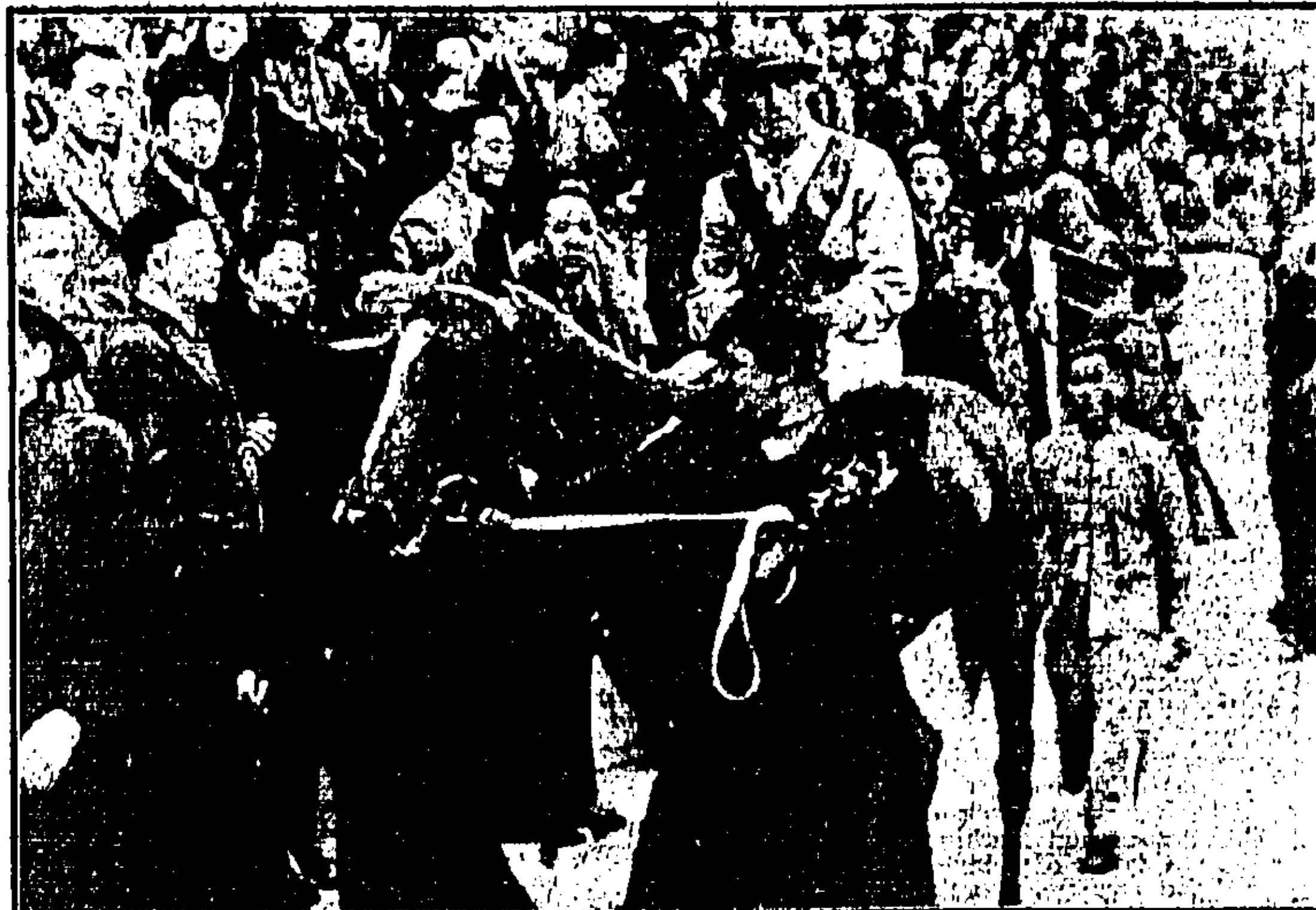
Mr. Li Lan-sang's Distant View (Mr. Pih up) winning the Austral Maiden Stakes by 3 lengths from Via Major (Mr. Sokoloff), with Starlight (Mr. Moller), the pace-maker, third, 5 lengths behind.



Monday provided a real surprise when Mr. T. K. Li's Oolong, admirably ridden by Mr. Needa, beat the Derby favourite, Mr. Eric Moller's Velvetlight (Mr. C. B. Moller), by 3 lengths in effortless style in the Maiden Stakes. Palbur (Mr. Chao) was third, 4 lengths behind. For its win Oolong, which had been steadily improving at morning gallops, paid only \$24.00, thus showing that many were in the know.



Three punters scanning the entries. They are from left to right, Mr. E. S. Abraham, Miss Kathleen Clarke and Miss D. Hirst.



Pearstur's Marsh Warbler (Mr. Black up) being led in after securing third place in the Austral Trial Plate. The champion jockey had a lean time in the opening two days, having only four thirds in 15 starts.



Mr. T. K. Li's Oolong (Mr. Needa up) leaving the Paddock after having won the Maiden Stakes in very convincing style.



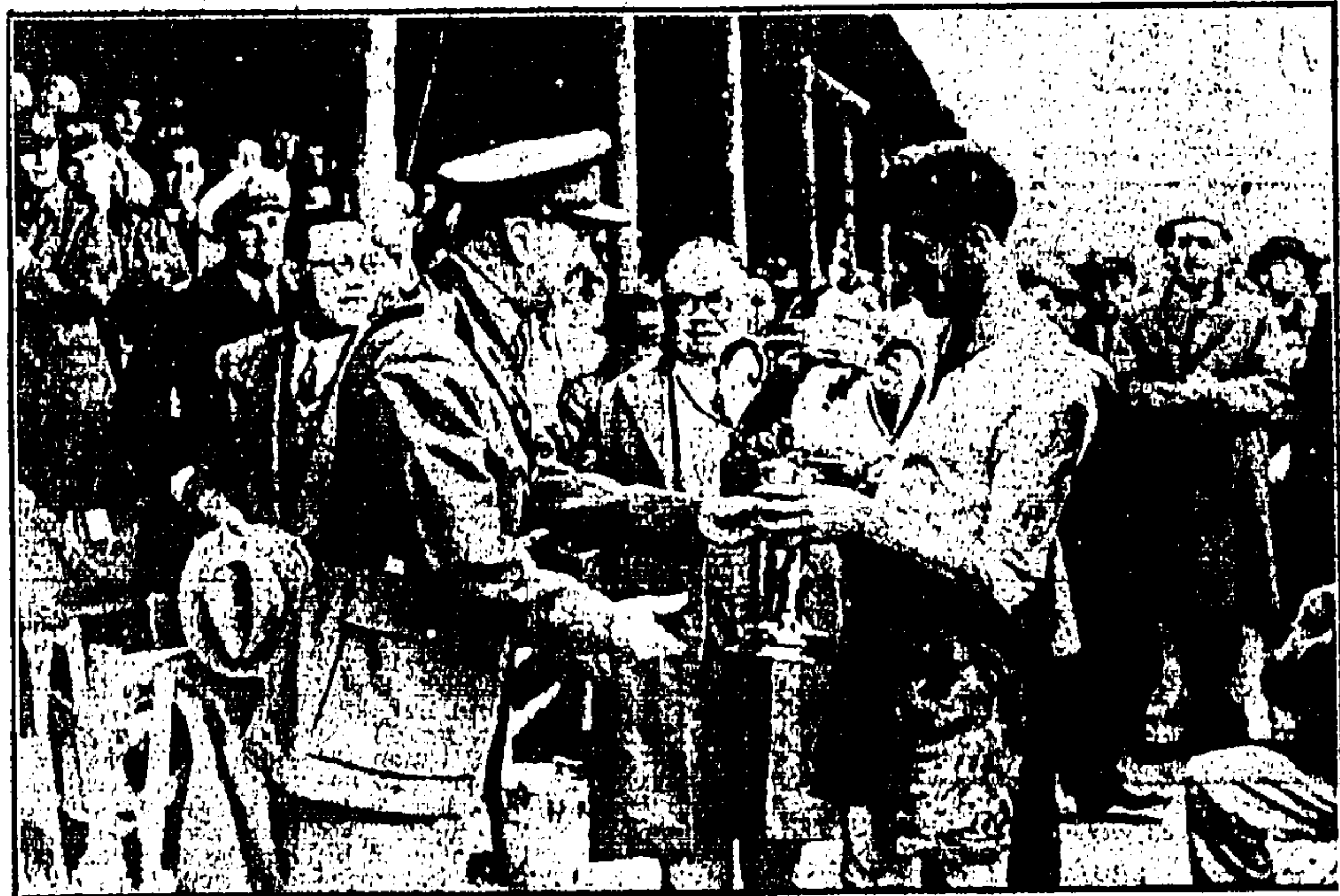
Mr. Eric Moller leading in his Velvetlight (Mr. C. B. Moller up) after its win by 3 lengths over Eve of Deception in the Trial Plate on Monday. Raconteur was third and World Fair View, which was left badly at the start, last in a field of four.

Lai Wah Cup Final

Army, who defeated the holders, China, by 4 goals to 1 in the Semi-Final of the Lai Wah Cup Competition, were badly beaten by Civilians in the final round played on the Club ground last Sunday. The score was 5 goals to 2, and at the conclusion of the game the winners were presented with the Cup by H.E. Major-General A. E. Grasett.



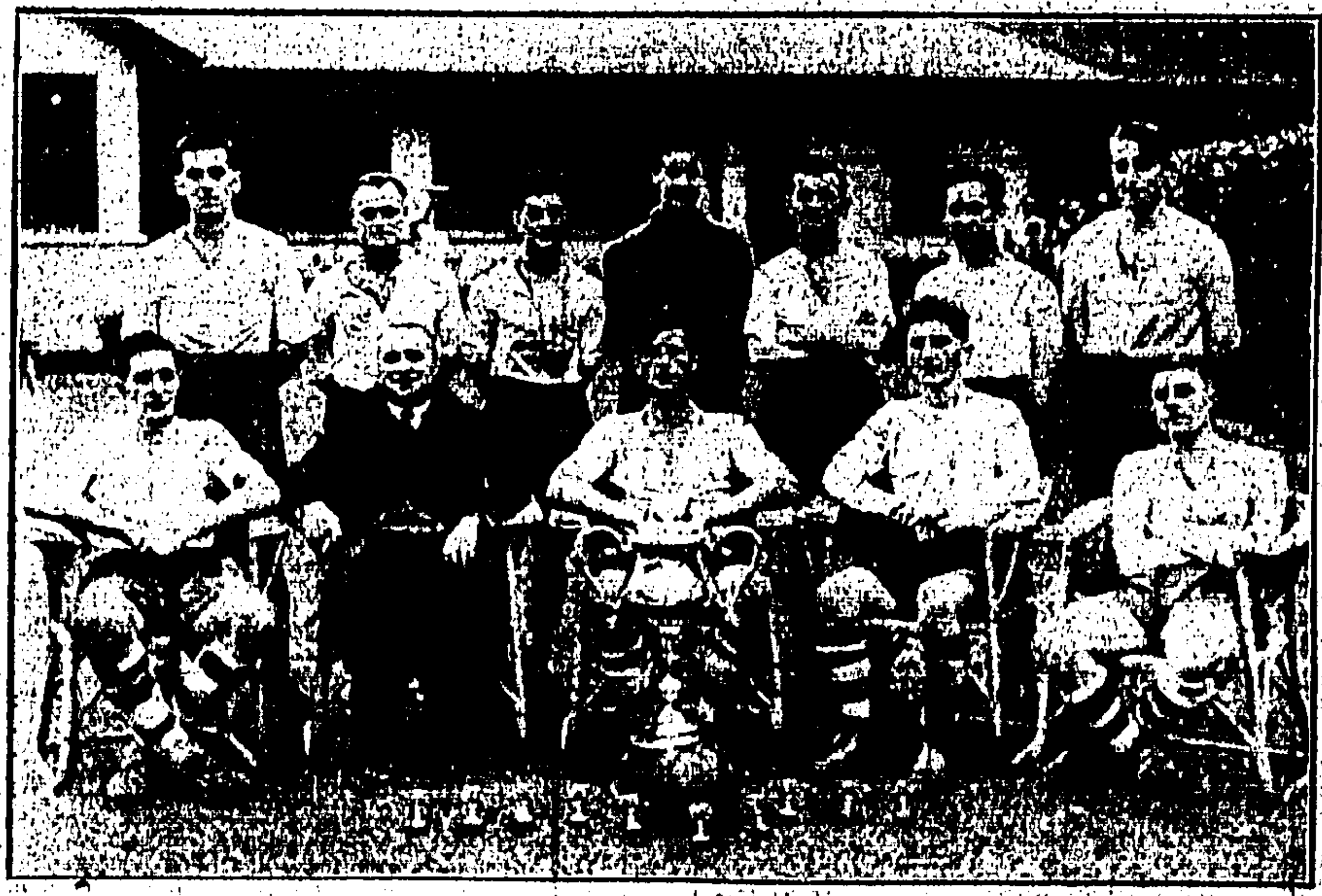
Gough, Civilian pivot, is seen trying to bring the ball under his control during the game.



H.E. Major-General A. E. Grasett presenting the Lai Wah Cup to Howlett, the Civilians' captain, at the conclusion of the game.



One of the Civilians' forwards attempting to break the Army's last defence line.



A group photograph of the winners. They include Lapsley (Kowloon), Blackburn (Police), "Umb" (Kowloon), Pope (Police), Gough (Police), Maxwell (Kowloon), Fowler (Club), S. Gueane (Kowloon), Howlett (Police), captain, Ferrier (Police) and Alerston (Club).

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